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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 1

Monday, October 21, 2002

The Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 3:34 p.m. this day, in Room 371, West Block.

Members of the Committee present: Sarkis Assadourian, Aileen Carroll, Bill Casey, Irwin Cotler, Stockwell Day, The Hon. Art Eggleton, Mark Eyking, John Harvard, The Hon. Diane Marleau, Keith Martin, Deepak Obhrai, Bernard Patry, Svend Robinson.

Acting Members present: David Price for Marlene Jennings; Allan Tonks for Pat O'Brien; Kevin Sorensen for John Duncan; Antoine Dubé for Francine Lalonde.

In attendance: From the Parliamentary Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: James Lee and Gerald Schmitz, Research Officers.

Pursuant to the House of Commons Order of Reference of October 10, 2002 and Standing Order 106(1) and (2), election of a Chair and Vice-Chairs.

The Clerk of the Committee presided over the election of a Chair.

On motion of Aileen Carroll, it was agreed, -That Bernard Patry be elected Chair of the Committee.

Accordingly, Bernard Patry was declared duly elected Chair of the Committee and took the Chair.

At 3:41 p.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 3:52 p.m., the sitting resumed.

On motion of David Price, it was agreed, - That Diane Marleau be elected Vice-Chair of the Committee.

On motion of Kevin Sorensen, it was agreed, - That Stockwell Day be elected Vice-Chair of the Committee.

On motion of David Price, it was agreed, - That the Chair, the Vice-Chairs, the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Foreign Affairs, a representative of each of the Bloc Quebecois, the New Democratic Party and the Progressive Conservative Party, and two (2) additional representatives from the Liberal Party do compose the Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure.

On motion of John Harvard, it was agreed, - That the Committee retain the services of one or more research officers from the Library of Parliament, as needed, to assist the Committee in its work, at the discretion of the Chair.

On motion of Stockwell Day, it was agreed, -- It was agreed, -- That the Chair be authorized to hold meetings to receive evidence when a quorum is not present provided that at least three (3) members are present, including a member of the Opposition.

On motion of John Harvard, it was agreed, - That witnesses be given ten (10) minutes for their opening statement and, that during the questioning of witnesses, there be allocated ten (10) minutes for the first questioner (of each party) when a Minister appears before the Committee and five (5) minutes for other meetings and that thereafter five (5) minutes be allocated to each subsequent questioner alternating between opposition and government parties, at the discretion of the Chair.

On motion of Sarkis Assadourian, it was agreed, - That, if requested, reasonable travelling, accommodation and living expenses be reimbursed to witnesses who are invited to appear before the Committee up to a maximum of two (2) representatives for any one organization.

On motion of Sarkis Assadourian, it was agreed, - That the Clerk of the Committee be authorized to take, in conjunction with the Chair of the Committee, the appropriate measures to provide lunches for the Committee and its Subcommittees, for working purposes.

On motion of John Harvard, it was agreed, - That for the purpose of receiving foreign delegations in Committee, the Committee divide into two groups to be assigned to meet alternately with visiting delegations, as established in a list to be prepared by the Clerk of the Committee.

On motion of Svend Robinson, it was agreed, - That the Committee be authorized to purchase gifts to be presented to foreign hosts while travelling and as well to present from time to time when visited by foreign delegations in Ottawa.

On motion of David Price, it was agreed, - That unless there is unanimous consent, twenty-four (24) hours notice must be given to the Members of the Committee before any new item of business is considered by the Committee.

Svend Robinson moved, -- That, pursuant to Standing Orders 108(1) and 108(2), a Subcommittee on Human Rights and International Development to be chaired by a member elected by the Subcommittee, be established to inquire into matters relating to the promotion of respect for international human rights and the achievement of sustainable human development goals, as may be referred to it by the Committee; that the Subcommittee be composed of nine (9) members or associate members of which five (5) shall be government members and four (4) shall be opposition members, to be named following the usual consultations with the Whips; and that the Subcommittee be empowered to send for persons, papers and records, to receive evidence, to sit during a time when the Committee is not sitting in Ottawa, to sit when the Committee is sitting outside Parliamentary Precinct and to sit during periods when the House stands adjourned.

After debate, the question being put on the motion, it was, by a show of hands, agreed to: YEAS: 14; NAYS: 2

Stockwell Day moved, -- That the selection of the Chair of the Subcommittee on Human Rights and International Development be done by secret ballot.

After debate, the question being put on the motion, it was negatived by a show of hands: YEAS: 7; NAYS: 8.

Svend Robinson moved, -- That, pursuant to Standing Orders 108(1) and 108(2), a Subcommittee on

International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment to be chaired by a member elected by the Subcommittee, be established to inquire into Canada's trade and investment relations and in particular any matters pertaining to the negotiation and implementation of international agreements, as may be referred to it by the Committee; that the Subcommittee be composed of nine (9) members or associate members of which five (5) shall be government members and four (4) shall be opposition members, to be named following the usual consultations with the Whips; and that the Subcommittee be empowered to send for persons, papers and records, to receive evidence, to sit during a time when the Committee is not sitting in Ottawa, to sit when the Committee is sitting outside Parliamentary Precinct and to sit during periods when the House stands adjourned.

Debate arose thereon.

Stockwell Day moved, -- That the motion be amended by inserting between the words "elected by the Subcommittee" and "be established" the following words "and that the selection of the Chair of the Subcommittee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment be done by secret ballot,".

After debate, the question being put to the amendment and the result of the following recorded division having been announced:

YEAS

Bill Casey Keith Martin
Stockwell Day Deepak Obhrai
Antoine Dubé Svend Robinson
Mark Eyking Kevin Sorensen

NAYS

- 8

8

Sarkis Assadourian

Aileen Carroll

Diane Marleau

Irwin Cotler

David Price

Art Eggleton

Allan Tonks

The Chair voted in the negative.

Accordingly, the amendment was negatived.

The question being put on the main motion, it was agreed to.

On motion of Antoine Dubé, it was agreed, -- That the Clerk of the Committee be authorized to circulate documents received only when they exist in both official languages.

At 4:31 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Jean-Michel Roy

Committee Clerk



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Meeting No. 2

Monday, October 28, 2002

The Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 3:40 p.m. this day, in Room 208, West Block, the Chair, Bernard Patry, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Sarkis Assadourian, Stéphane Bergeron, Aileen Carroll, Irwin Cotler, John Duncan, John Harvard, Marlene Jennings, Francine Lalonde, Keith Martin, Pat O'Brien, Deepak Obhrai, Bernard Patry.

Acting Member present: Mac Harb for Mark Eyking.

In attendance: From the Parliamentary Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: James Lee and Gerald Schmitz, Research Officers.

The Committee discussed its future business.

The Chair presented the First Report of the Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure which is as follows:

FIRST REPORT OF THE SUB-COMMITTEE ON AGENDA AND PROCEDURE

Your Sub-Committee met on Thursday, October 24, 2002 and agreed to report as follows:

The Subcommittee has noted the letter of October 10, 2002 from the whips of each party to the Clerk of the House and further notes that until the December adjournment the meeting block of the Committee will be Monday and Wednesday afternoons at 3:30 p.m. Committee meetings taking place at other times may be pre-empted by a Committee assigned to the block.

It was agreed, --That Bill C-14, An Act providing for controls on the export, import or transit across Canada of rough diamonds and for a certification scheme for their export in order to meet Canada's obligations under the Kimberley Process, be considered and disposed of on Wednesday, October 30 and that witnesses representing the sponsoring departments, non-governmental organizations and industry be called to appear.

It was agreed, --That the Committee hold hearings on the situation on Iraq prior to the December adjournment, that the Minister of Foreign Affairs be invited to appear on Thursday, October 31, 2002 and that the Committee staff prepare panels of witnesses and a schedule of hearings.

It was agreed, --That the request of the Falun Dafa Association of Canada to appear before the Committee be deferred to the Subcommittee on Human Rights and International Development.

It was agreed, --That the Committee meet, jointly with the Senate Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs if available, with representatives of the Middle Powers Initiative on Tuesday, October 29 at 3:30 p.m.

It was agreed, --That the Committee hold a public meeting to be followed by a committee hosted lunch, with a delegation from the Foreign Affairs Committee of the National People's Congress of the People's Republic of China on Monday, November 4, 2002.

It was agreed, --That the Committee meet jointly with the Standing Committee on Agriculture and Agrifood on issues relating to world food supply and that the Director General, Food and Agricultural Organization and non-governmental organizations be invited to appear on Tuesday morning, November 5, 2002.

After debate, on a motion by John Harvard, the Report was concurred in.

The Committee considered a draft schedule of meetings for the weeks remaining until the adjournment in December.

After debate, on a motion by Marlene Jennings, the schedule was concurred in.

Keith Martin moved, --That pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee begin hearings, and invite witnesses including, but not limited to, the Secretary of State for Latin America and Africa, the Minister of International Cooperation, the Minister of Foreign Affairs, the Minister of Finance, officials from DFAIT, CIDA and the PMO, as well as other interested parties, to examine the Africa Fund announced in the December 2001 Budget.

Debate arose.

It was agreed, --That a meeting on the new policy of the Canadian International Development Agency on Strenghtening Aid Effectiveness, with the Minister of International Development and the President of the Canadian International Development Agency to appear, be scheduled at a date to be fixed by the Chair.

It was agreed, --That consideration of the urgent matter of impending genocide in several African states be referred to the Subcommittee on Human Rights and International Development and that the Subcommittee prepare recommendations for solutions to address the crisis.

It was agreed, --That the request of the Rassemblement canadien pour le Liban (RCPL) to appear before the Committee to present its study on human rights abuse and democracy in Lebanon be referred to the Subcommittee on Human Rights and International Development.

At 4:20 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.





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Meeting No. 3

Tuesday, October 29, 2002

The Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 3:37 p.m. this day, in Room 371, West Block, the Chair, Bernard Patry, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Sarkis Assadourian, Stéphane Bergeron, Aileen Carroll, Irwin Cotler, Stockwell Day, The Hon. Art Eggleton, Mark Eyking, Marlene Jennings, Francine Lalonde, Keith Martin, Pat O'Brien, Deepak Obhrai, Bernard Patry, Svend Robinson.

Also present: The Hon. Consiglio Di Nino, Senator.

In attendance: From the Parliamentary Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: James Lee and Gerald Schmitz, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Middle Powers Initiative: The Hon. Douglas Roche, O.C., Senator and Chair; The Rt Hon. Kim Campbell, Head of the Delegation, Chair of the Council of Women World Leaders; Bruce Blair, Member and President of the Center for Defense Information (Washington); Jonathan Granoff, Member and President of the Global Security Institute (San Francisco); Alice Slater, Member and President of the Global Resource Action Center for the Environment (New York).

The Committee discussed its future business.

It was agreed, --That notwithstanding the Order of the Committee of October 28, 2002 concerning study of Bill C-14, An Act providing for controls on the export, import or transit across Canada of rough diamonds and for a certification scheme for their export in order to meet Canada's obligations under the Kimberley Process, the Committee hear additional witnesses, commence clause by clause study and dispose of the bill on Tuesday, November 5, 2002.

It was agreed, --That proposed amendments for Bill C-14, An Act providing for controls on the export, import or transit across Canada of rough diamonds and for a certification scheme for their export in order to meet Canada's obligations under the Kimberley Process, be forwarded by Friday, November 1, 2002 to the Clerk for circulation to the members.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee proceeded to meet with a delegation from The Middle Powers Initiative (See Minutes of Proceedings, Monday, October 28, 2002, Meeting No. 2).

The Hon. Douglas Roche, the Rt. Hon. Kim Campbell and Bruce Blair made opening statements and

with, Jonathan Granoff and Alice Slater, answered questions.

At 3:53 p.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 4:05 p.m., the sitting was resumed.

At 5:07 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Stephen Knowles

Clerk of the Committee

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Meeting No. 4

Wednesday, October 30, 2002

The Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 3:41 p.m. this day, in Room 371, West Block, the Chair, Bernard Patry, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Stéphane Bergeron, Aileen Carroll, Stockwell Day, The Hon. Art Eggleton, Mark Eyking, John Harvard, Marlene Jennings, Francine Lalonde, The Hon. Diane Marleau, Keith Martin, Bernard Patry, Svend Robinson.

Acting Members present: David Pratt for Irwin Cotler; Darrel Stinson for Deepak Obhrai; Benoît Serré for Pat O'Brien; Gerald Keddy for Bill Casey.

In attendance: From the Parliamentary Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Gerald Schmitz and Jay Sinha, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Department of Natural Resources: Bruce W. Boyd, Acting Associate Director, International and Domestic Market Policy Division, Minerals and Metals Sector. From the Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development: David Cox, Legal Counsel. From the Department of Justice: Geneviève Giroux, Legal Counsel. From Partnership Africa Canada: Bernard Taylor, Executive Director; Ralph Hazelton, Research Associate; Susan Isaac, Project Officer.

The Order of Reference dated Monday, October 21, 2002, being now read as follows:

ORDERED, -- That Bill C-14, An Act providing for controls on the export, import or transit across Canada of rough diamonds and for a certification scheme for their export in order to meet Canada's obligations under the Kimberley Process be now read a second time and referred to the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade.

The Chair called Clause 1.

Bruce Boyd and Bernard Taylor made opening statements and with the other witnesses answered questions.

At 4:32 p.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 4:38 p.m., the sitting resumed.

At 5:24 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Stephen Knowles

Clerk of the Committee



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Meeting No. 5

Thursday, October 31, 2002

The Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met in a video-recorded session at 9:08 a.m. this day, in Room 308, West Block, the Chair, Bernard Patry, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Sarkis Assadourian, Stéphane Bergeron, Aileen Carroll, Bill Casey, Stockwell Day, The Hon. Art Eggleton, Marlene Jennings, Francine Lalonde, The Hon. Diane Marleau, Keith Martin, Deepak Obhrai, Bernard Patry.

Acting Member present: Alexa McDonough for Svend Robinson.

In attendance: From the Parliamentary Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: James Lee and Gerald Schmitz, Research Officers.

Appearing: From the House of Commons: The Hon. Bill Graham, Minister of Foreign Affairs.

Witnesses: From the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade: Donald C. Sinclair, Director General, Middle East and North Africa Division; Jill Sinclair, Director General, International Security Bureau.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee commenced consideration of the situation of Iraq. (See Minutes of Proceedings, Monday, October 28, 2002, Meeting No. 2).

The Minister made an opening statement and answered questions.

At 10:58 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Stephen Knowles

Clerk of the Committee





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Meeting No. 6

Monday, November 4, 2002

The Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met *in camera* at 3:40 p.m. this day, in Room 371, West Block, the Chair, Bernard Patry, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Stéphane Bergeron, Aileen Carroll, Stockwell Day, Mark Eyking, Marlene Jennings, Francine Lalonde, The Hon. Diane Marleau, Keith Martin and Bernard Patry.

Acting Member present: Dennis Mills for Irwin Cotler.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: James Lee and Gerald Schmitz, Research Officers.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee commenced its study of North American Integration and Canada's Role in the Light of New Security Challenges (See Minutes of Proceedings of October 28, 2002, Meeting No. 2)

At 5:38 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Stephen Knowles

Clerk of the Committee





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Meeting No. 7

Tuesday, November 5, 2002

The Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met in a televised session at 9:16 a.m. this day, in Room 237-C, Centre Block, the Chair, Bernard Patry, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Stéphane Bergeron, Aileen Carroll, Stockwell Day, John Duncan, Mark Eyking, John Harvard, Marlene Jennings, Francine Lalonde, The Hon. Diane Marleau, Keith Martin, Deepak Obhrai and Bernard Patry.

Acting Members present: Paul Szabo and Bonnie Brown for Sarkis Assadourian; Beth Phinney for Irwin Cotler; Gérard Binet and Murray Calder for The Hon. Art Eggleton; Darrel Stinson for Deepak Obhrai; Gérald Keddy for Bill Casey; David Pratt for Pat O'Brien.

Associate Member present: Rick Borotsik.

Other Members present: Benoit Serré, Paul Steckle, Larry McCormick, Rose-Marie Ur, Charles Hubbard and Howard Hilstrom.

In attendance: From the Parliamentary Research Branch, Library of Parliament: James Lee and Gerald Schmitz, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the United Nations' World Food Programme: James T. Morris, Executive Director. From the Prospectors and Developers Association of Canada: Robert Boyd, President & CEO Ashton Mining of Canada Inc.; Eira Thomas, President of Navigator Exploration Corp.; David Comba, Director, Issues Management; Deborah McCombe, Chief Mining Consultant, Ontario Securities Commission. From the Department of Natural Resources: Bruce W. Boyd, Acting Associate Director, Stewardship Division, International and Domestic Market Policy Division, Minerals and Metal Policy Branch, Minerals and Metals Sector. From the Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development: David Cox, Legal Counsel. From the Department of Justice: Geneviève Giroux, Legal Counsel.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee considered issues relating to world food supply.

James T. Morris made a statement and answered questions.

At 10:30 a.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 10:40 a.m., the sitting resumed.

Pursuant to its Order of Reference of Monday, October 21, 2002, the Committee resumed consideration of Bill C-14, An Act providing for controls on the export, import or transit across Canada of rough diamonds and for a certification scheme for their export in order to meet Canada's obligations under the Kimberley Process (See Minutes of Proceedings, Wednesday, October 30, 2002, Meeting No. 4).

The Committee resumed consideration of Clause 2.

Robert Boyd, Eira Thomas, David Comba and Deborah McCombe made statements and, answered questions.

At 11:18 a.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 11:20 a.m., the sitting resumed.

The Committee proceeded to clause-by-clause consideration of the Bill.

Pursuant to Standing Order 75(1), consideration of the Preamble and Clause 1 were postponed.

Bruce W. Boyd, David Cox and Geneviève Giroux answered questions.

On Clause 2,

Francine Lalonde moved, -- That Bill C-14, in Clause 2, be amended by replacing line 19 on page 1 with the following:

"under paragraph 9(1)(a) and that, in addition to the minimal requirements of the Kimberley Process, specifies the number of diamonds whose size is superior to 2 carats."

After debate, the question was put on the amendment, it was negatived on the following recorded division:

YEAS

Stéphane Bergeron Francine lalonde — 2

NAYS

Murray Calder Marlene Jennings
Aileen Carroll Hon. Diane Marleau

John Duncan Keith Martin
Mark Eyking David Pratt

John Harvard Paul Szabo — 10

Clause 2 carried on division.

Clause 3 carried.

On Clause 4,

Aileen Carroll moved, -- That Bill C-14, in Clause 4, be amended by replacing line 34 on page 2 with the following:

"inspection under this Act if the Minister considers the disclosure to be in the public interest, taking into account the competitive position of the individual, corporation, partnership, trust, organization or association of persons affected by the disclosure".

After debate, the question was put on the amendment, it was agreed to.

Clause 4 carried as amended.

Clause 5 carried.

Clause 6 carried.

On Clause 7,

Francine Lalonde moved, -- That Bill C-14, in Clause 7, be amended by adding after line 8 on page 3 the following:

"(1.1) The provincial inspectors or investigators responsible for the control of mining production and collection of mining duties may act as inspectors or investigators under subsection (1)."

Debate arose.

Gerald Keddy moved, - That the amendment be further amended by adding after the word "provincial" the following: "or territorial".

After debate the question was put on the sub-amendment and it was negatived by a show of hands, yeas 3, nays 10.

After debate, the question was put on the amendment and it was negatived.

Clause 7 carried on division.

Clause 8 carried.

On Clause 9,

Aileen Carroll moved, -- That Bill C-14, in Clause 9, be amended by replacing line 40 on page 3 with the following:

"da, were extracted from mineral concentrates in Canada, were imported from a participant or."

After debate, the question was put on the amendment and it was agreed to.

Clause 9 carried as amended, on division.

Clauses 10, 11, 12, 13 carried severally.

On new Clause 13.1,

Francine Lalonde moved, -- That Bill C-14 be amended by adding after line 23 on page 4 the following new clause:

"13.1 For greater certainty, nothing in this affects the powers of the provinces over ownership, exploration and development of natural resources on their territory."

After debate, the question was put on the amendment, and was negatived by a show of hands, yeas 5,

nays 9.

Clauses 14, 15, 16, 17, 18 carried severally.

On Clause 19,

Aileen Carroll moved, -- That Bill C-14, in Clause 19, be amended by replacing line 25 on page 6 with the following:

"copies of any data or any record."

After debate, the question was put on the amendment and it was agreed to on division.

Clause 19 carried as amended, on division.

Clauses 20, 21, 22, 23 carried severally.

On Clause 24,

Aileen Carroll moved, -- That Bill C-14, in Clause 24, be amended by replacing lines 9 to 11 on page 7 with the following:

"through or over private property."

After debate, the question was put on the amendment and it was agreed to.

Clause 24 carried as amended.

Clauses 25 and 26 carried severally.

On Clause 27,

Darrel Stinson moved, -- That Bill C-14, in Clause 27, be amended by replacing line 39 on page 7 with the following:

"things seized shall be detained until the".

After debate, the question was put on the amendment, and it was negatived by a show of hands, yeas 2, nays 10.

Clause 27 carried.

Clauses 28, 29, 30, 31 carried severally.

On Clause 32,

Darrel Stinson moved, -- That Bill C-14, in Clause 32, be amended by replacing line 6 on page 9 with the following:

"or other things shall be retained until the fine."

After debate, the question was put on the amendment and it was negatived by a show of hands, yeas 2, nays 10.

Clause 32 carried.

Clause 33 carried.

On Clause 34.

Gerald Keddy moved, -- That Bill C-14, in Clause 34, be amended by replacing line 29 on page 9 with the following:

"of exit for exporting them, provided that at least two places are designated as points of entry and at least two places are designated as points of exit."

After debate, the question was put on the amendment and it was negatived by a show of hands, yeas 5, nays 9.

Clause 34 carried on division.

Clause 35 carried.

On new clause 35.1,

Gerald Keddy moved, -- That Bill C-14 be amended by adding after line 18 on page 10 the following new clause:

"35.1 The Minister shall make regulations governing exportation of multi-ton bulk samples of ore that may contain rough diamonds."

After debate, the question was put on the amendment and it was negatived by a show of hands, yeas 3, nays 10.

Clauses 36, 37, 38, 39 carried severally

On Clause 40,

Aileen Carroll moved, -- That Bill C-14, in Clause 40, be amended by replacing lines 3 to 8 on page 11 with the following:

"40. No person shall interfere with an inspector who is doing, or hinder or prevent an inspector from doing, anything that the inspector is authorized to do under this Act."

After debate, the question was put on the amendment and it was agreed to.

Clause 40 carried, as amended.

On new clause 40.1,

Aileen Carroll moved, -- That Bill C-14 be amended by adding after line 8 on page 11 the following:

"40.1 (1) Every person who contravenes subsection 13(1) or (2) or 16(1) or (2) or section 22 or 40 is guilty of an offence punishable on summary conviction.

(2) A prosecution under subsection (1) may be instituted not later than three years after the time when the subject-matter of the complaint arose."

Debate arose.

Darrel Stinson moved, - That the amendment be amended by adding after the words "on summary conviction" the following:

"and liable to a fine not exceeding \$500,000 or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 12 months or both."

After debate the question was put on the sub-amendment and it was negatived by a show of hands, yeas 2, nays 10.

Darrel Stinson moved, - That the amendment be further amended by striking out "three" and inserting the word "seven".

After debate the question was put on the sub-amendment and it was negatived by a show of hands, yea 1, nays 9.

The question was put on the amendment and it was agreed to.

New clause 40.1 carried.

On Clause 41,

Aileen Carroll moved, -- That Bill C-14, in Clause 41, be amended

(a) by replacing lines 10 to 12 on page 11 with the following:

"person who contravenes section 8 or 14 or any of sections 36 to 39 is"

(b) by replacing line 17 on page 11 with the following

"exceeding 10 years, or to both; or".

After debate, the question was put on the amendment and it was agreed to by a show of hands, yeas 9, nay 1.

Clause 41 carried as amended.

Clauses 42, 43, 44, 45 carried severally.

On new clause 45.1,

Francine Lalonde moved, -- That Bill C-14 be amended by adding after line 5 on page 13 the following:

- "45.1 (1) Two years after its coming into force, the Minister shall cause a review of the provisions and operation of this Act to be undertaken.
- (2) The Minister shall, within six months after causing a review to be undertaken pursuant to subsection (1), submit a report on the review to Parliament.
- (3) Each report submitted to Parliament pursuant to subsection (20 shall be reviewed by such committee of the Senate and of the House of Commons or such joint committee as is designated or established for the purpose of reviewing such report."

Debate arose.

Aileen Carroll moved, - That the amendment be amended by striking out the word "Two" and replacing it by the word "Three".

After debate the question was put on the sub-amendment and it was agreed to.

Aileen Carroll moved, - That the amendment be further amended by adding after the words, "review to Parliament" the words: "If Parliament is not then sitting, the Minister shall submit the report to Parliament within the first 15 sitting days thereafter".

After debate the question was put on the sub-amendment and it was agreed to.

Aileen Carroll moved, - That the amendment be further amended by deleting the words:

(3) Each report submitted to Parliament pursuant to subsection (2) shall be reviewed by such committee of the Senate and of the House of Commons or such joint committee as is designated or established for the purpose of reviewing such report."

After debate the question was put on the sub-amendment and it was agreed to.

The question was put on the amendment, as amended and it was agreed to.

New clause 45.1 carried as amended.

Clause 46 carried.

The Schedule carried.

The preamble carried on division

Clause 1 carried.

The Title carried.

The Bill, as amended, carried.

ORDERED, -- That Bill C-14, An Act providing for controls on the export, import or transit across Canada of rough diamonds and for a certification scheme for their export in order to meet Canada's obligations under the Kimberley Process, as amended, be reprinted for the use of the House of Commons at Report Stage.

ORDERED, -- That the Chair report Bill C-14 with amendments to the House as the First Report of the Committee.

At 12:47 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Stephen Knowles

Clerk of the Committee



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Meeting No. 8

Wednesday, November 6, 2002

The Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met *in camera* at 3:40 p.m. this day, in Room 208, West Block, the Vice-chair, The Hon. Diane Marleau, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Stéphane Bergeron, Aileen Carroll, Bill Casey, The Hon. Art Eggleton, Mark Eyking, John Harvard, Marlene Jennings, Francine Lalonde, The Hon. Diane Marleau, Keith Martin, Pat O'Brien.

In attendance: From the Parliamentary Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: James Lee and Gerald Schmitz, Research Officers.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed its study on North American Integration and Canada's Role in the Light of New Security Challenges (See Minutes of Proceedings of October 28, 2002, Meeting No. 2).

The Committee resumed consideration of a draft report.

The Committee discussed its future business.

It was agreed, --That the Committee host a delegation of Australian parliamentarians for a lunch on Monday, November 18, 2002.

It was agreed, --That Bill S-2, An Act to implement an agreement, conventions and protocols concluded between Canada and Kuwait, Mongolia, the United Arab Emirates, Moldova, Norway, Belgium and Italy for the avoidance of double taxation and the prevention of fiscal evasion and to amend the enacted text of three tax treaties, referred to the Committee on November 1st, 2002, be considered and disposed of on Thursday, November 19, 2002.

At 5:41 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 9

Monday, November 18, 2002

The Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met in a televised session at 3:35 p.m. this day, in Room 253-D, Centre Block, the Chair, Bernard Patry, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Sarkis Assadourian, Stéphane Bergeron, Aileen Carroll, Bill Casey, Irwin Cotler, Stockwell Day, John Duncan, The Hon. Art Eggleton, Mark Eyking, John Harvard, Marlene Jennings, Francine Lalonde, Bernard Patry,.

Acting Members present: Alexa McDonough for Svend Robinson; Jim Gook for Keith Martin; Brian Pallister for Deepak Obhrai.

In attendance: From the Parliamentary Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Gerald Schmitz, Research Officer.

Witnesses: As Individual: Peggy Mason, Former Ambassador for Disarmament, International Security Policy Expert. From Project Ploughshares: Ernie Regehr, Executive Director. From the Royal Military College of Canada: Houchang Hassan-Yari, Professor of Political Science. From the "Université de Sherbrooke": Sami Aoun, Professor of Political Science.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of the situation of Iraq (See Minutes of Proceedings, Monday, October 28, 2002, Meeting No. 2).

The witnesses made opening statement and answered questions.

At 5:34 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 10

Tuesday, November 19, 2002

The Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 9:07 a.m. this day, in Room 308, West Block, John Harvard, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Sarkis Assadourian, Aileen Carroll, Stockwell Day, John Duncan, The Hon. Art Eggleton, Mark Eyking, John Harvard, Marlene Jennings, Pat O'Brien.

Acting Members present: Byron Wilfert for Diane Marleau; Pauline Picard for Francine Lalonde.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Gerald Schmitz and Jay Sinha, Research Officers.

Appearing: Bryon Wilfert, Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Finance.

Witnesses: From the Department of Finance: Brian Ernewein, Director, Tax Legislation Division, Tax Policy Branch; David Sénecal, Acting Chief, Tax Treaties Section, Tax Legislation Division. From the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade: Adrian Norfolk, Deputy Director, Human Rights, Human Rights, Humanitarian Affairs and International Women's Equality Division.

The Order of Reference dated Friday, November 1st, 2002, being now read as follows:

ORDERED, -- That Bill S-2, An Act to implement an agreement, conventions and protocols concluded between Canada and Kuwait, Mongolia, the United Arab Emirates, Moldova, Norway, Belgium and Italy for the avoidance of double taxation and the prevention of fiscal evasion and to amend the enacted text of three tax treaties be now read a second time and referred to the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade.

Pursuant to Standing Order 75(1), consideration of Clause 1 was postponed.

The Chair called Clause 2.

The Parliamentary Secretary made a statement and with the witnesses answered questions.

The Committee proceeded to Clause-by-Clause consideration of the Bill.

Clause 2 to 12 carried severally.

Schedule I to VII carried severally.

Clause 1 carried.

The title carried.

The Bill carried.

ORDERED, -- That the Chair report That Bill S-2, An Act to implement an agreement, conventions and protocols concluded between Canada and Kuwait, Mongolia, the United Arab Emirates, Moldova, Norway, Belgium and Italy for the avoidance of double taxation and the prevention of fiscal evasion and to amend the enacted text of three tax treaties without amendments to the House as the Second Report of the Committee.

At 9:38 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 11

Wednesday, November 20, 2002

The Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met *in camera* at 3:47 p.m. this day, in Room 371, West Block, the Chair, Bernard Patry, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Stéphane Bergeron, Aileen Carroll, Stockwell Day, John Duncan, The Hon. Art Eggleton, Mark Eyking, Marlene Jennings, Francine Lalonde, Pat O'Brien, Bernard Patry.

Acting Member present: Jason Kenney for Deepak Obhrai.

In attendance: From the Parliamentary Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Peter Berg, Gerald Schmitz and Jay Sinha, Research Officers.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed its study of North American Integration and Canada's Role in the Light of New Security Challenges (See Minutes of Proceedings of October 28, 2002, Meeting No. 2).

The Committee resumed consideration of a draft report.

The Committee discussed its future business.

It was agreed, --That the Chair be authorized to modify the Committee schedule adopted on October 28, 2002 for the weeks of November 25 and December 2, 2002 to better accommodate availability of members.

It was agreed, --That the Committee engage the services of Mr. Louis Majeau to edit the French text of the report on North American Relations at a rate of \$70.00 per hour to a maximum not to exceed \$11,200.00.

It was agreed, --That the Committee engage the services of Paradigm Communications (Donald G. Reid, Associate) to edit the English text of the Committee's report on North American Relations at a rate of \$70.00 per hour to a maximum not to exceed \$11,200.00.

It was agreed, --That the proposed budget in the amount of \$87,816.00 for the Committee's study on North American Relations be adopted and that the Chair present the said budget to the Budget Sub-committee of the Liaison Committee

It was agreed, --That the proposed operational budget of the Committee in the amount of \$35,000.00 be adopted and that the Chair present the said budget to the budget Sub-committee of the Liaison Committee

It was agreed, --That the proposed budget in the amount of \$31,200.00 for the Committee's study respecting the situation of Iraq be adopted and that the Chair present the said budget to the Budget Sub-committee of the Liaison Committee

At 6:05 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 12

Wednesday, November 27, 2002

The Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 3:35 p.m. this day, in Room 701, La Promenade Building, the Chair, Bernard Patry, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Sarkis Assadourian, Stéphane Bergeron, Aileen Carroll, Bill Casey, Stockwell Day, John Duncan, The Hon. Art Eggleton, Mark Eyking, John Harvard, Marlene Jennings, Keith Martin, Pat O'Brien, Bernard Patry.

Acting Members present: Larry Bagnell for Irwin Cotler; Bob Speller for Mark Eyking; Paddy Torsney for Diane Marleau; Jason Kenny for Deepak Obhrai; Yves Rocheleau for Francine Lalonde; Alexa McDonough for Svend Robinson.

Other Member present: Christiane Gagnon.

In attendance: From the Parliamentary Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Peter Berg, James Lee, Gerald Schmitz, Research Officers

Witness: From the University of Toronto,: Janice Stein, Director, Munk Centre for International Studies.

Sarkis Assadourian moved, - That the Committee invite the House of Commons to recognize the genocide of the Armenians, which began at the turn of the last century, by the Ottoman Turks, during the First World War.

After debate, the question was put on the motion and it was agreed to on the following recorded division:

YEAS

Sarkis Assadourian Stéphane Bergeron Bill Casey Stockwell Day Marlene Jennings Jason Kenney

Alexa McDonough

Pat O'Brien

Yves Rocheleau

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Larry Bagnell Mark Eyking
Aileen Carroll John Harvard
John Duncan Keith Martin
Art Eggleton Paddy Torsney

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Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of the situation of Iraq. (See Minutes of Proceedings, Monday, October 28, 2002, Meeting No. 2).

At 4:04 p.m., Janice Stein made an opening statement and answered questions.

At 4:50 p.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 4:56 p.m., the sitting resumed *in camera*.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed its study of North American Integration and Canada's Role in the Light of New Security Challenges (See Minutes of Proceedings of October 28, 2002, Meeting No. 2).

The Committee resumed consideration of a draft report.

The Committee discussed its future business.

It was agreed, --That the Committee host a working meal on Thursday, December 5 for Robert Templer, Director of the International Crisis Group Asia Program, Paris Office.

At 7:18 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 13

Monday, December 2, 2002

The Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met *in camera* at 3:45 p.m. this day, in Room 701, La Promenade Building, the Chair, Bernard Patry, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Sarkis Assadourian, Aileen Carroll, Stockwell Day, John Duncan, The Hon. Art Eggleton, John Harvard, Francine Lalonde, The Hon. Diane Marleau, Bernard Patry.

Acting Member present: Jason Kenney for Deepak Obhrai.

In attendance: From the Parliamentary Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Peter Berg, Michael Holden, James Lee, Gerald Schmitz, Jay Sinha, Research Officers.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed its study of North American Integration and Canada's Role in the Light of New Security Challenges (See Minutes of Proceedings of October 28, 2002, Meeting No. 2).

The Committee resumed consideration of a draft report.

At 5:10 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 14

Wednesday, December 4, 2002

The Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 3:31 p.m. this day, in Room 269, West Block, the Chair, Bernard Patry, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Sarkis Assadourian, Aileen Carroll, John Duncan, Mark Eyking, John Harvard, Francine Lalonde, Deepak Obhrai, Bernard Patry, Svend Robinson.

Acting Member present: Robert Bertrand for Pat O'Brien, Jason Kenney for Stockwell Day; Brent St-Denis for Hon. Diane Marleau, Rodger Cuzner for Marlene Jennings, Alexa McDonough for Svend Robinson, Steve Mahoney for Hon. Art Eggleton.

Other Member present: Yvon Charbonneau.

In attendance: From the Parliamentary Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Peter Berg, James Lee, Gerald Schmitz, Jay Sinha, Research Officers

Witnesses: From the "Université du Québec à Montréal": Charles-Philippe David, Holder of the Raoul-Dandurand Research Chair in Strategic and Diplomatic Studies. As Individual: Ronald Cleminson, Member of the College of Commisioners of the United Nations Monitoring, Verification and Inspection Commission (UNMOVIC).

Svend Robinson moved, -- That the motion adopted on November 27, 2002 which is as follows:

"That the Committee invite the House of Commons to recognize the genocide of the Armenians, which began at the turn of the last century, by the Ottoman Turks, during the First World War"

be adopted as a Report of the Committee and that the Chair report it to the House.

After debate, the question was put on the motion and it was negatived on the following recorded division:

YEAS

Sarkis Assadourian Francine Lalonde

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Jason Kenney

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Robert Bertrand Mark Eyking

Aileen Carroll John Harvard

Rodger Cuzner Brent St-Denis -

At 3:45 p.m., the Committee proceeded to sit in camera.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed its study of North American Integration and Canada's Role in the Light of

New Security Challenges (See Minutes of Proceedings of October 28, 2002, Meeting No. 2).

The Committee resumed consideration of a draft report.

At 5:02 p.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 5:05 p.m., the sitting was resumed in public.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of the situation of Iraq. (See Minutes of Proceedings, Monday, October 28, 2002, Meeting No. 2).

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

At 5:58 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Stephen Knowles

Clerk of the Committee

APPENDIX-1

MARCHING ON BAGHDAD: THE RISKS OF WAR

By Charles-Philippe David

Statement before the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade (FAIT),

House of Commons, Ottawa, December 4th, 2002.

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MARCHING ON BAGHDAD: THE RISKS OF WAR

By Charles-Philippe David

How should we deal with a totalitarian regime that has been stockpiling weapons of mass destruction for years, including the fissile material needed to build a nuclear bomb? How can we disarm a country that is developing medium- and long-range missiles and illegally exporting them to rogue states? How can we enforce a system of mandatory field inspections when we cannot trust the country's regime? How can we prevent this regime from engaging in acts of aggression against other countries, near and far?

No, I'm not talking about Iraq, despite its well-documented history of defying UN resolutions; the country I have in mind is North Korea, with which the US is preparing to strike a deal. An American envoy will be leaving soon to convince Kim Jong II's regime to accept US and international demands. Kim appears to be amenable to an agreement and an armed conflict between North Korea and the US seems relatively unlikely at this stage.

The Iraqi situation is quite different. The US is determined to replace Saddam Hussein's regime, by force if need be, and war appears imminent. The Bush White House and the majority in Congress are out of patience. They believe that diplomatic avenues have been exhausted, the inspections are untrustworthy, and the threat posed by Saddam Hussein cannot be contained indefinitely.

Their efforts to convince the world of the Iraqi peril have beared fruit. The US administration gradually and with difficulty won over the UN Security Council, the US Congress (which passed a resolution supporting George W. by a majority far more overwhelming than prior to the Gulf War eleven years ago), and some of its friends (its staunch ally Great Britain worked doggedly to get Europe on side).

Bush believes no good can be expected of Iraq and now is the time to mop up the unfinished business. The pundits are busy laying odds and many are betting on a remake of the Gulf War, an Iraq II even more spectacular than Iraq I. Bush Jr. is determined to lead the march on Baghdad from which Bush Sr. shied away in 1991.

If Saddam thought he was out of the clutches of the Americans after 1998, he was sadly mistaken. Since September 11, 2001, the US has taken a tougher line on the Iraqi dictator's sins and the threat he represents, now considered unacceptable in Washington.

Pity the Iraqis: their suffering under Saddam's brutal regime and the harsh international embargo is now compounded by the prospect of a US ground invasion. The policymakers who support an invasion are promising a happy romp: Baghdad will be liberated in a sort of (better) replay of the landing on the beaches of Normandy. No, it will not be a long, grinding war with heavy loss of life, like Vietnam. This time, the conditions favour a sunny outcome: the Americans have the cause and they have the plan. The Bush administration will prove, yet again, how things have changed, and Iraq II will be a glorious victory, just like Afghanistan, Kosovo, Bosnia and Iraq I before it.

Perhaps the optimists have reason to hope for a short, bloodless war, but cooler heads point

to the risks and question the justifications that have been advanced for this war foretold.

The Iraq II campaign would be the first major US-led invasion and occupation since Vietnam. It cannot be compared with the policing actions in Grenada in 1983 or Panama in 1989, and still less with other US military interventions in the interim.

The questions must be asked: do the Americans face serious risks with Iraq? And is there no other way out?

Based on what we know at this time, there is cause for scepticism. Bush's campaign to win hearts and minds is unconvincing. Regime change in Iraq entails chilling dangers and daunting challenges, not to mention the questionable legitimacy of the doctrine of preemption on which US intervention would be based. There is no sanction for preemption in the UN Charter, which allows for armed action only in cases of self-defence. Seeking political legitimation from the UN Security Council will not be enough to make the US action legal under international law. If the US claims the right to replace a government it considers to be a dangerous terrorist regime, what is to prevent India from using the same logic to attack Pakistan one day, or China from invading Taiwan?

Dubious legitimacy

The Bush administration's central argument is that Saddam Hussein allegedly still possesses significant quantities of weapons of mass destruction. There can be no question that the situation has deteriorated since 1998 and in the absence of the inspectors. That conclusion is supported by independent research institutes (such as the London-based International Institute for Strategic Studies), governments (see the damning report tabled by the Blair government) and inspectors who previously worked in Iraq (in testimony before a special session of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee).

Saddam certainly has biological and chemical weapons, and could probably acquire the fissile material needed to build a nuclear bomb. The worst-case scenario, in which such weapons are used against a country in the region, such as Israel, or a more distant country, such as the US, is terrifying and, in the wake of September 11, it seems more plausible than it once did. However, any such move could be expected to prompt massive – perhaps nuclear – retaliation by Israel or the US. Would Saddam be that irrational?

In fact, American policymakers are more concerned that the "mad dictator" might supply Al Qaeda with chemical or biological weapons with which to launch a murderous sneak attack on the US. A Bin Laden/Saddam Hussein alliance is certainly a frightening prospect. But is it credible?

Probably not, notwithstanding tenuous intelligence about meetings between Al Qaeda members and Iraqis, or the alleged presence of Al Qaeda cells on the Iran-Iraq border. The fact is that Saddam holds fundamentalists and extremists in low regard. He has little in common with the Al Qaeda leadership; on the contrary, his general practice has been to imprison and/or execute members of Islamic Jihad, as Iraq's Shiites can attest.

Saddam is obsessed with his regime's survival and maintaining his exclusive hold on power, which he exercises with megalomaniacal zeal, but strictly within Iraq's borders (at least since

his withdrawal from Kuwait). The notion that he would be in cahoots with international terrorism appears farfetched at this stage. If there is evidence to support it, it would have been helpful for President Bush to lay it out in his speech at the UN, or failing that to the US Congress. It might have been reasonable to expect a Cuba-style proof, such as Kennedy provided in 1962.

There was nothing of the sort. The argument that the evil Iraqi regime must be toppled now, immediately, without delay, rings hollow. The threat is not so much greater today than it was four years ago, certainly not enough to justify the imminent war.

Before military action is contemplated, an effort should be made to assess the threat and then to contain it and eliminate it. This could be done by means of new-style mandatory inspections with teeth throughout 2003, supported by multinational military contingents and enjoying totally unfettered access. It would be imperative that these inspections be conducted with an iron hand and backed by the constant threat of military force, something which has never been done since 1991. Then, *if and only if* it still proves impossible to carry out the inspections effectively, war would be justified. It would have to be authorized by a new, clearly worded Security Council resolution. (At that point, there would be only a few months remaining until the 2004 Presidential elections in the US.)

At this stage, only unwavering and unconditional cooperation by Saddam, tenacious opposition by the President of France or a cynical calculation by the Bush Administration could alter the course of the Iraq II scenario which the US administration is readying for this winter.

Dubious War Plan

The American war plan to attack Iraq is patterned after the military intervention in Afghanistan in some ways, including reliance on air superiority (which the US has long enjoyed over Iraqi skies), the use of joint CIA-Army special operations units (apparently already in the Gulf), and coordination with a small allied force on the ground (probably the Kurds, who for once are united against the Iraqi army instead of being mired in internecine fighting).

But that is where the similarity ends. The Kurds are not the Northern Alliance and air strikes and special operations may prove woefully inadequate to dislodge Saddam Hussein. A ground invasion appears unavoidable. And this time, the terrain isn't open desert. The invasion force would have to take Baghdad, with its 5 million inhabitants, not to mention Basra, Karbala, An Najaf, Ramadi, and the Tigris and Euphrates valleys.

None of the military options looks reassuring. There are two possibilities: that the intervention will aim to topple Saddam Hussein's regime and his Republican Guard, or to occupy Iraq and gradually close the noose around the Iraqi capital.

In the first case, the operation will require 75,000 troops; in the second, at least 250,000. The advantages of option 1 are that it would target Saddam and Baghdad exclusively, and the Americans could exploit the element of surprise. However, the dangers are many and substantial. What will happen if Saddam goes underground, as Bin Laden did? Who would control the rest of the country if communications were cut off between Saddam's command

centre and the regular Iraqi army, only too eager to defect? Most importantly, what would happen in the south if the Shiite majority, thirsty for revenge after years of oppression, were to rise up and exterminate the wielders and the symbols of Sunni power in a bloodbath that leaves a state of anarchy in its wake? How will the primarily Sunni population of Baghdad greet its American liberators, who have not always been received as heroes (one need only think of the ill-fated US expeditions in Lebanon in 1983 and Somalia in 1992-93)?

And if, horror of horrors, a cornered Saddam, holed up in one of his presidential palaces along the Tigris, ordered his Republican Guard to use biological or chemical weapons against US troops or against civilian populations, what response would be possible and what would be the cost in human lives? As terrifying and unrealistic as it may seem, this is a risk that must be reckoned with. Like many other dictators throughout history, Saddam is prepared to commit the most barbaric deeds to stay in power.

Option 2, a large-scale, months-long military offensive logistically modeled on the Gulf War, would entail all the risks outlined above plus several additional dangers. This would no longer be a limited, airborne operation but an invasion pure and simple. It would have to be launched from the south (through Kuwait), the north (through Turkey and Kurdish territory) and ideally also from the west (through Jordan). This double (or triple) long march on Baghdad would aim to secure all of Iraqi territory.

This scenario assumes that the Shiites and the Sunnis will welcome the Americans with open arms. Moreover, all the countries bordering on Iraq would have to let the US operate from bases on their territory. So far, only Kuwait has agreed, while Jordan, Saudi Arabia and Iran have refused. These countries would have to justify such a decision to their own people. The Arab street tends to see the American plan as a plot driven by the US desire to lay its hands on Iraq's enormous oil reserves and at the same time to divert attention from the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, serving the interests of Israel.

The US plan is to finish the job in two months, time enough to tighten the stranglehold on Baghdad. But the imponderables remain. How will the Iraqi leader respond? In the best-case scenario, he will surrender as Manuel Noriega did in 1989. In the worst case, he will commit desperate deeds and crimes, take refuge in the bosom of his clan in Tikrit and fight to the last man. One possible alternative is that he might hand over power to one of his sons, Uday or Qusay, before hostilities break out, not necessarily a cheering prospect given the sons' reputation for ruthlessness. On the whole, a military campaign is an uncertain venture and the outlook is rife with doubts and uncertainties.

Dubious consequences

It would not be enough to invade Iraq; the country would then have to be occupied. That would be no small feat and certainly not an in-and-out operation for the Americans. There is reason for scepticism about the prospects for democratization and for the creation of a multi-ethnic Sunni-Shiite-Kurd federation in Iraq.

The US plan to make Iraq a "beacon of freedom" in a complex and volatile region may well prove a pipe dream. Freed from the tyranny of Saddam Hussein and the Baath party, could Iraq emulate post-war Germany and Japan, or would it go the way of Afghanistan, Somalia and, to some extent, Bosnia, where the results have frequently been disappointing and

The latter course is a strong possibility. To successfully "democratize" Iraq, deep ethnic and clan divisions would have to be bridged (as in Afghanistan, and unlike Germany and Japan). A massive American military presence would be necessary for at least a decade (as in Bosnia) in order to prevent a resurgence of violence in a chronically weak state (as in Afghanistan). But nothing is less certain than the United States' commitment to a long-term overseas presence. The US – and the Bush administration in particular – has little taste for peace enforcement and peacebuilding (as Afghanistan has shown).

Winning the war is one thing, winning the peace quite another. It is well and good to contemplate a democratic transition in Iraq, but it must be borne in mind that democracy has never existed in that country or anywhere in the Persian Gulf. These states have traditionally been ruled by autocratic, military, monarchical or fundamentalist regimes.

There are two particularly large stumbling blocks on the road to democracy in Iraq. Getting past them will require careful analysis and advance planning. However, they have received scant attention thus far.

The first is finding an Iraqi Hamid Karzai. Within Iraq, opposition has been crushed and is virtually non-existent. Outside Iraq, the opposition movement is fractured into a slew of nationalist factions (including the Iraqi National Congress and the Constitutional Monarchist Movement, both based in London) and military cliques made up of small groups of officers (two have representatives in Washington, including the American favourite, General Al Salhi).

The second stumbling block will be maintaining Iraq's territorial integrity and the viability of the Iraqi state. The country is divided, geographically and ethnically, into three fairly distinct components: Sunni, Shiite and Kurd. The Kurds already have a quasi-state (really a *de facto* state under American protection). It is predictable that they will want at least to preserve their autonomy (which is comparable to that of Kosovo) if not to gain full independence. Iran, which is sheltering the Iraqi Shiite religious leaders, will also want to make sure that Iraq's Shiites have a say in shaping the country's new political landscape. However, the Sunnis will take a dim view of increased Shiite and Kurdish representation in any new federal arrangement.

This would be a colossal nation-building undertaking, comparable in scope to the pacification efforts in South Vietnam and Lyndon Johnson's plan to "turn the Mekong Delta [read the Tigris and Euphrates?] into the Tennessee Valley." The United States would have to pour resources into Iraq, and Arab states would have to pitch in and support democracy-building in Iraq (and accept the consequences for their own countries). For now, there is no indication any of this is likely to happen.

George W. Bush's ideologues and advisors promise that Iraq II will be a triumph, a grand victory in the war against terrorism. However, the US administration's haste to effect "regime change" in Baghdad may well prove reckless. I believe beefed-up inspections – accompanied by the prospect of a lifting of the embargo – would be a more sensible strategy than rushing into a war of doubtful planning and uncertain outcome.



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Meeting No. 15

Thursday, December 5, 2002

The Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met *in camera* at 9:20 a.m. this day, in Room 701, La Promenade Building, the Chair, Bernard Patry, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Aileen Carroll, John Duncan, John Harvard, Marlene Jennings, Francine Lalonde, Hon. Diane Marleau, Pat O'Brien, Bernard Patry.

Acting Members present: David Price for Mark Eyking, Jason Kenney for Deepak Obhrai.

In attendance: From the Parliamentary Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Peter Berg, James Lee, Gerald Schmitz, Jay Sinha, Research Officers.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed its study of North American Integration and Canada's Role in the Light of New Security Challenges (See Minutes of Proceedings of October 28, 2002, Meeting No. 2).

The Committee resumed consideration of a draft report.

It was agreed,

- --That the Committee adopt the draft report, <u>Partners in North America: Advancing Canada's Relations</u> with the United States and Mexico, as amended, as a Report of the Committee to the House;
- --That, pursuant to Standing Order 109, the Committee request that the Government table a comprehensive response to this report;
- --That the Chair be authorized to make such typographical and editorial changes as may be necessary without changing the substance of the report;
- --That, pursuant to the budget adopted on November 20, 2002, as amended by the Liaison Committee, on November 26, 2002, a maximum of 3500 English copies, 1000 French copies and 500 Spanish copies be printed with a special cover;
- --That, pursuant to Standing Order 108(1)(a), the Committee authorize the printing of brief dissenting and/or supplementary opinions as appendices to this report immediately after the signature of the Chair, that the opinions be sent to the Clerk of the Committee by electronic mail in both official languages on/or before Friday December 6, 2002 at 4:00 p.m.;

- -- That the Chair or his designate be authorized to present the Report to the House;
- -- That the Clerk organize a press conference to be held on tabling day after the tabling of the report.

The Committee discussed its future business.

It was agreed, --That a text prepared by Charles-Philippe David for his appearance before the Committee in relation to the Committee's consideration of the situation of Iraq, be appended to the Evidence presented at the meeting of December 4, 2002 (Appendix 1).

At 10:18 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Stephen Knowles

Clerk of the Committee

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Standing Committee on

FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Chair: Bernard Patry, Lib.

Meeting No. 16

Thursday, February 6, 2003

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

Consideration of the situation in Iraq

Consideration of a letter dated December 11, 2002, signed by Four Members requesting that a meeting be held on the question of Iraq

Future business

Consideration of the Second Report of the Sub-Committee on Agenda and Procedure

APPEARING:

Honourable Bill Graham, Minister of Foreign Affairs









MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 16

Thursday, February 6, 2003

The Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met in a televised session at 9:10 a.m. this day, in Room 237-C, Centre Block, the Chair, Bernard Patry, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Murray Calder, Aileen Carroll, Bill Casey, Irwin Cotler, John Duncan, The Hon. Art Eggleton, John Harvard, André Harvey, Francine Lalonde, The Hon. Diane Marleau, Keith Martin, Alexa McDonough, Deepak Obhrai, Bernard Patry, Karen Redman.

Acting Members present: Karen Kraft-Sloan for Mark Eyking, Yves Rocheleau for Stéphane Bergeron and Rahim Jaffer for Stockwell Day.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: James Lee; Gerald Schmitz, Research Officers.

Appearing: From the House of Commons: The Hon. Bill Graham, Minister of Foreign Affairs.

Witnesses: From the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade: John McNee, Assistant Deputy Minister, Africa and Middle East; James R. Wright, Assistant Deputy Minister, Global and Security Policy.

By unanimous consent, pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of the situation in Iraq.

The Minister made a statement and answered questions.

At 10:02 a.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 10:09 a.m., the sitting resumed.

Pursuant to Standing Order 106(3), the Committee proceeded to the consideration of a letter dated December 11, 2002, signed by Four Members requesting that a meeting be held on the question of Iraq.

Bill Casey moved, - That, Pursuant to the Committee order of October 28, 2002, concerning continuing the study of the situation in Iraq that the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs invite senior Government Officials from the Government of the United States and the Republic of Iraq to attend separate meetings of the Standing Committee to discuss the issues surrounding the United Nations Security Council Resolution 1441, and to hear proposals from Canadian Members of Parliament which could be useful in diffusing the current situation, thereby avoiding conflict.

Debate arose.

Deepak Obhrai moved, - That the debate be adjourned.

By unanimous consent the motion was withdrawn.

After debate, the question was put on the motion and it was negatived. On a show of hands:

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Alex McDonough moved, - That the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade call upon the Government of Canada to allow a vote in the House of Commons on the issue of Canada's participation in any proposed military attack on Iraq.

Debate arose.

Deepak Ohbrai moved that the debate be adjourned.

The question was put on the motion and it was agreed to on a show of hands:

YEAS 5 NAYS 4

The Committee considered it's future business.

It was agreed, - That the Chair be authorized to approve payment for a lunch offered by the Committee on February 4, 2003 to a delegation of Brazilian Parliamentarians.

The Committee considered the Second Report of the Sub-Committee on Agenda and Procedure which is as follows:

SECOND REPORT OF THE SUB-COMMITTEE ON AGENDA AND PROCEDURE

Your Sub-Committee met on Tuesday, February 4, 2003 and agreed to report as follows:

It was agreed, - That further to the Order of October 28, 2002, the Committee continue to monitor the Iraq issue and that, as required by circumstances, the Chair from time to time organize hearings to which the Minister of Foreign Affairs and appropriate officials and concerned non government organizations and individuals be invited to appear;

It was agreed, - That the Committee undertake a study of Canada's relations with the Muslim world;

It was agreed, - That the Committee hold a hearing on border issues with other concerned committees in the near future to review developments since the signature of the December 2001 Smart Borders Declaration, with the Minister Responsible for Border Issues to be

DEUXIÈME RAPPORT DU SOUS-COMITÉ DU PROGRAMME ET DE LA PROCÉDURE

Le Sous-comité s'est réuni le mardi 4 février 2003 et a convenu de présenter le rapport suivant :

Il est convenu, - Que, suite à l'Ordre du 28 octobre 2002, le Comité continue à observer de près la question de l'Irak et que, tel qu'exigé par les circonstances, le président organise de temps à autre des audiences auxquelles seront invités à comparaître le ministre des Affaires étrangères ainsi que des fonctionnaires compétents et des organisations et individus représentant le secteur non-gouvernemental.

Il est convenu, - Que le Comité entreprenne une étude des relations du Canada avec le monde musulman.

Il est convenu, - Que le Comité tienne avec d'autres comités concernés, dans un avenir rapproché, une audience sur les questions frontalières afin de constater les progrès réalisés depuis la signature de la Déclaration sur la frontière intelligente, de

invited to appear;

It was agreed, - That in relation to the Committee report Partners in North America: Advancing Canada's Relations with the United States and Mexico, the Committee undertake to hold trilateral meetings with members of the Foreign Affairs Committees of the United States and Mexican Congresses after the tabling of the Government Response, pursuant to Standing Order 109;

It was agreed, - That the Committee hold a hearing on February 13, 2003 concerning key food and agriculture policy issues in relation to development matters and that representatives of the Canadian Food Security Policy Group be called to appear;

It was agreed, - That the Committee host a working lunch for the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Macedonia on Tuesday, February 18, 2003;

It was agreed, - That the request from Amnesty International for the Committee to consider relations with China in view of human rights concerns be referred to the Sub-Committee on Human Rights and International Development;

It was agreed, - That, during the annual appearance of the Ambassador for disarmament, pursuant to Recommendation 2 of the Committee's December 1998 Report, <u>Canada and the Nuclear Challenge</u>: Reducing the Political Value of Nuclear Weapons for

the Twenty-First Century, representatives of the Canadian Network to Abolish Nuclear Weapons be also invited to appear;

It was agreed, - That the invitation of December 11, 2002 from the Auditor General for Committee to consider Chapter 3 of the December, 2002 Report, "Special Import Measures Act: Protecting against Dumped or Subsidized Imports" be referred to the Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investments;

It was agreed, - That for motions requiring 24 hours notice, pursuant to the Order of October 21, 2002, the

décembre 2001, et qu'il invite le ministre responsable des questions frontalières à comparaître.

Il est convenu, - Que, relativement au rapport du Comité intitulé <u>Partenaires en Amérique du Nord : Cultiver les relations du Canada avec les États-Unis et le Mexique</u>, le Comité entreprenne de tenir des rencontres trilatérales avec les membres des comités des affaires étrangères des Congrès des États-Unis et du Mexique, après le dépôt de la réponse du gouvernement, conformément à l'article 109 du Règlement.

Il est convenu, - Que le Comité tienne une audience le 13 février 2003 sur des questions clés de politique alimentaire et agricole affectant les politiques de développement et que des représentants du Groupe canadien de réflexion sur la sécurité alimentaire soient invités à comparaître.

Il est convenu, - Que le Comité organise un déjeuner de travail pour la ministre des Affaires étrangères de la Macédoine, le mardi 18 février 2003.

Il est convenu, - Que la demande d'Amnistie internationale pour que le Comité examine les relations du Canada avec la Chine selon la perspective des droits de la personne soit renvoyée au Sous-comité des droits de la personne et du développement international.

Il est convenu, - Que, pendant la comparution annuelle de l'ambassadeur pour le désarmement, conformément à la recommandation no 2 du rapport du Comité daté de décembre 1998, Le Canada et le défi nucléaire : réduire l'importance politique de l'arme nucléaire au XXI^e

siècle, des représentants du Réseau canadien pour l'abolition des armes nucléaires soient également invités à comparaître.

Il est convenu, - Que l'invitation lancée au Comité le 11 décembre 2002 par la vérificatrice générale d'examiner le chapitre 3 de son rapport de décembre 2002, « La Loi sur les mesures spéciales d'importation : une protection contre les importations sous-évaluées ou subventionnées », soit renvoyée au Sous-comité du commerce international, des différends commerciaux et des investissements internationaux.

Il est convenu, - Que, pour les motions exigeant un préavis de 24 heures, conformément à l'ordre du 21

Chair be authorized to defer consideration until 15 minutes prior to the adjournment time for the meeting as indicated in the Notice of the Meeting.

octobre 2002, le président soit autorisé à en reporter l'étude jusqu'aux dernières 15 minutes précédant l'heure prévue pour lever la séance, tel qu'il est indiqué dans l'avis de réunion.

Respectfully submitted,

Respectueusement soumis,

Le président,

Bernard Patry Chair

On a motion by Francine Lalonde it was agreed, - That after the words "with the Muslim world" the following be added, "while participating in the foreign policy review".

It was agreed, - That the words "including the December 2002 Safe Third Country Agreement" be inserted between the words "Smart Borders Declaration" and "with the Minister responsible".

It was agreed, - That the Second Report of the Sub-Committee on Agenda and Procedure, as amended, be concurred in.

It was agreed, - That the Committee hold hearings as required to consider the North Korea question.

At 11:01 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Stephen Knowles

Clerk(s) of the Committee

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FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Chair: Bernard Patry, Lib.

Meeting No. 17

Tuesday, February 11, 2003

IN CAMERA







MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 17

Tuesday, February 11, 2003

The Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met *in camera* at 9:10 a.m. this day, in Room 308, West Block, the Chair, Bernard Patry, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Stéphane Bergeron, Murray Calder, Aileen Carroll, Bill Casey, Stockwell Day, The Hon. Art Eggleton, Mark Eyking, John Harvard, André Harvey, Francine Lalonde, The Hon. Diane Marleau, Keith Martin, Alexa McDonough and Bernard Patry.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: James Lee and Gerald Schmitz, Research Officers.

The Committee discussed its future business.

It was agreed, - That the amendment of February 6, 2003 to the Second Report of the Sub-Committee on Agenda and Procedure which is as follows:

"That after the words, "with the Muslim world" the following be added,

"while participating in the foreign policy review"

be rescinded.

It was agreed, -- That in relation to its study of the Iraq situation the Committee hold a hearing on Tuesday, February 18 to be informed of the latest developments including the most recent report of the United Nations Monitoring, Verification and Inspection Commission and the ramifications for NATO by officials from the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade.

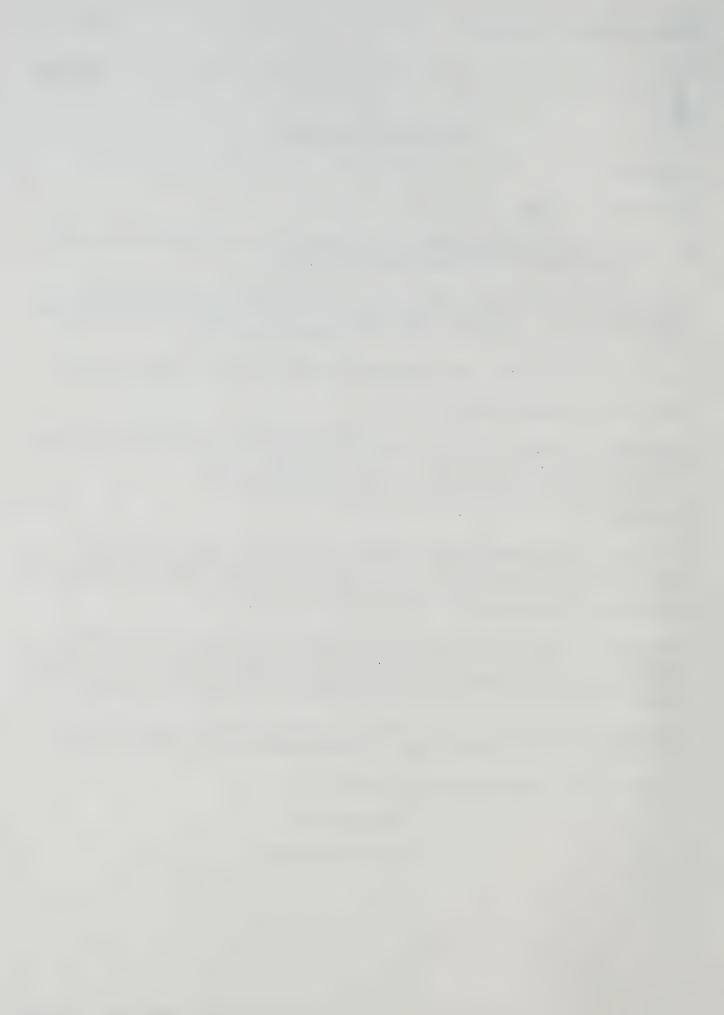
It was agreed, -- That the Committee hold hearings with panels of witnesses on the foreign policy consultation of the Minister of Foreign Affairs as set out in <u>A Dialogue on Foreign Policy</u> and that the Committee prepare for the Minister a summary of key points from Committee reports of recent years and that the Minister be invited to appear before the Committee to address the Dialogue process itself.

It was agreed, -- That further to the Order of October 28, 2002 and February 6, 2003, the Committee hold hearings on specific aspects and impacts of the Iraq issue with appropriate panels of witnesses.

At 10:55 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Stephen Knowles

Clerk of the Committee



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Standing Committee on

FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE

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Meeting No. 18

Thursday, February 13, 2003

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

Study of food and agriculture policy issues in relation to development matters

Study of the situation of North Korea

Study of the Millenium Development Goals and the role of the United Nations Development Programme

WITNESSES:

Canadian Council for International Cooperation:

Gauri Sreenivasan, Policy Coordinator.

Canadian Foodgrains Bank:

Stuart Clark, Senior Policy Adviser.

Canadian International Development Agency:

Ernest Loevinsohn, Director General, Food Aid Centre;

Jean-Marc Métivier, Vice-President, Multilateral Programmes Branch.

Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade:

David Mulroney, Assistant Deputy Minister, Portfolio Asia-Pacific;

Jill Sinclair, Director General, International Security Bureau.

Oxfam Canada:

Mark Fried, Communications and Advocacy Coordinator.

United Nations Development Programme:

Mark Malloch Brown, Administrator.

World Vision Canada:

Kathy Vandergrift, Senior Policy Analyst.





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Meeting No. 18

hursday, February 13, 2003

The Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 9:08 a.m. this day, in Room 371, West Block, the Chair, Bernard Patry, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Stéphane Bergergon, Murray Calder, Aileen Carroll, Bill Casey, Irwin Cotler, Stockwell Day, The Hon. Art Eggleton, John Harvard, André Harvey, Francine Lalonde, The Hon. Diane Marleau, Keith Martin, Alexa McDonough, Deepak Obhrai, Bernard Patry.

Acting Member present: Antoine Dubé for Stéphane Bergeron.

in attendance: From the Library of Parliament: James Lee and Gerald Schmitz, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Canadian Council for International Cooperation: Gauri Sreenivasan, Policy Coordinator. From the Canadian Foodgrains Bank: Stuart Clark, Senior Policy Advisor. From Oxfam Canada: Mark Fried, Communications & Advocacy Coordinator. From World Vision Canada: Kathy Vandergrift, Senior Policy Analyst. From the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade: David Mulroney, Assistant Deputy Minister, Portfolio: Asia-Pacific; Jill E. Sinclair, Director General, International Security Bureau. From the Canadian International Development Agency: Jean-Marc Métivier, Vice-President, Multilateral Programmes Branch; Ernest Loevinsohn, Director General, Food Aid Centre. From the United Nations Development Programme: Mark Malloch Brown, Administrator.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee commenced consideration of food and agriculture policy issues in relation to development matters (See minutes of Proceedings of February 6, 2003, Meeting No.16)

Gauri Sreenivasan, Stuart Clark, Mark Fried and Kathy Vandergrift made opening statements and answered questions.

At 10:00 a.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 10:05 a.m., the sitting resumed.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee commenced its study of the situation of North Korea (See minutes of Proceedings of February 6, 2003, Meeting No.16)

David Mulroney, Jill E. Sinclair and Jean-Marc Métivier made opening statements and with Ernest Loevinsohn answered questions.

It was agreed, -- That Maurice Strong, the special envoy on North Korea of the Secretary General of the Nations, be invited to present his views to the Committee

At 11:01 a.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 11:28 a.m., the sitting resumed, the Vice-Chair, the Hon. Diane Marleau presiding.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee commenced consideration of the Millenium Development Goals of the role of the United Nations Development Programme (See minutes of Proceedings of February 11, 2003, Meeting No.17)

Mark Malloch Brown made an opening statement and answered questions.

At 12:12 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Stephen Knowles

Clerk of the Committee

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Meeting No. 19

Tuesday, February 18, 2003

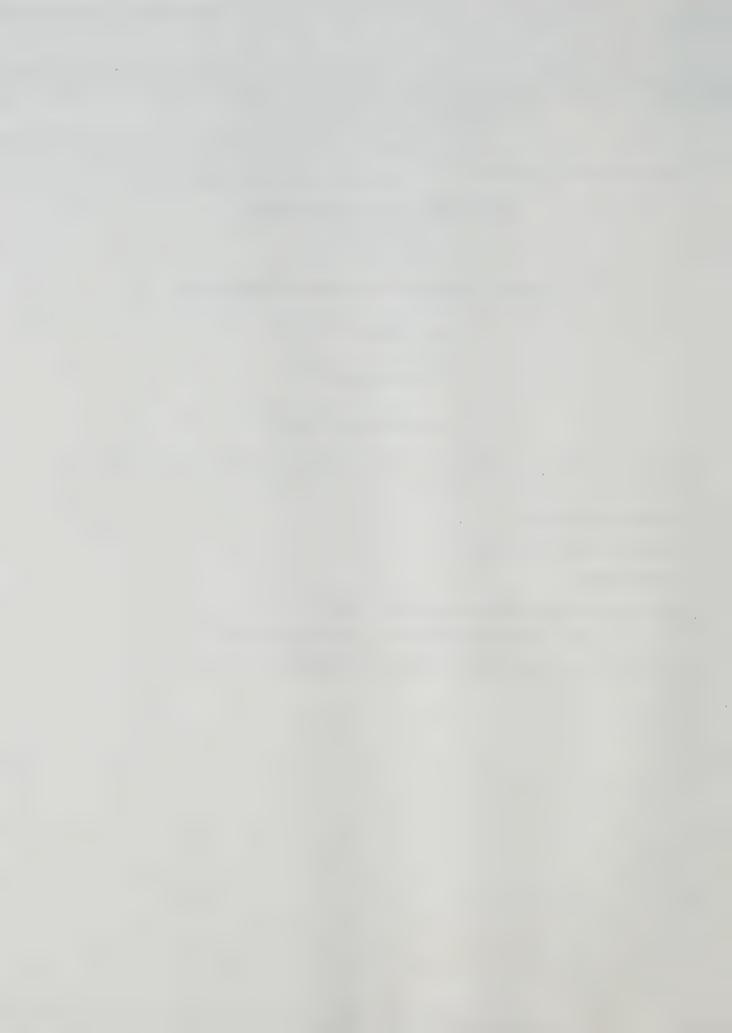
ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of the situation of Iraq

WITNESSES:

Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade:

John McNee, Assistant Deputy Minister, Africa and Middle East; Jill Sinclair, Director General, International Security Bureau.







MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 19

Tuesday, February 18, 2003

The Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 9:08 a.m. this day, in Room 705, La Promenade Building, the Chair, Bernard Patry, presiding.

Member(s) of the Committee present: Stéphane Bergeron, Murray Calder, Aileen Carroll, Bill Casey, Stockwell Day, The Hon. Art Eggleton, Mark Eyking, John Harvard, André Harvey, Francine Lalonde, The Hon. Diane Marleau, Keith Martin, Alexa McDonough, Deepak Obhrai, Bernard Patry, Karen Redman.

Acting Member(s) present: Mac Harb for Irwin Cotler.

In attendance: From the Parliamentary Research Branch, Library of Parliament: James Lee and Gerald Schmitz, Research Officers.

Witness(es): From the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade: John McNee, Assistant Deputy Minister, Africa and Middle East; Jill E. Sinclair, Director General, International Security Bureau.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of the situation of Iraq (See Minutes of Proceedings of Thursday, February 6, 2003, Meeting No. 16).

Jill Sinclair made a statement and John McNee answered questions.

At 10:25 a.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 10:30 a.m., the sitting resumed in camera.

It was agreed, -- That the Order of October 28, 2002 which is as follows:

"That consideration of the urgent matter of impending genocide in several African states be referred to the Sub-Committee on Human Rights and International Development and that the Sub-Committee prepare recommendations for solutions to address the crisis."

be amended by striking out the words "impending genocide" and substituting therefore the words "humanitarian catastrophe".

The Committee considered a planning calendar for the period February to June 2003.

It was agreed, -- That in relation to the study of relations with the Muslim World, a plan and budget for travel to New York (United Nations) and several European capitals in May be prepared for the Committee's consideration.

At 11:18 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Stephen Knowles

Clerk(s) of the Committee

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FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Chair: Bernard Patry, Lib.

Meeting No. 20

Thursday, February 20, 2003

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

Study on the situation of Iraq

Future Business

WITNESSES:

CARE Canada:

John Watson, President.

North-South Institute:

Roy Culpeper, President.

Oxfam Canada:

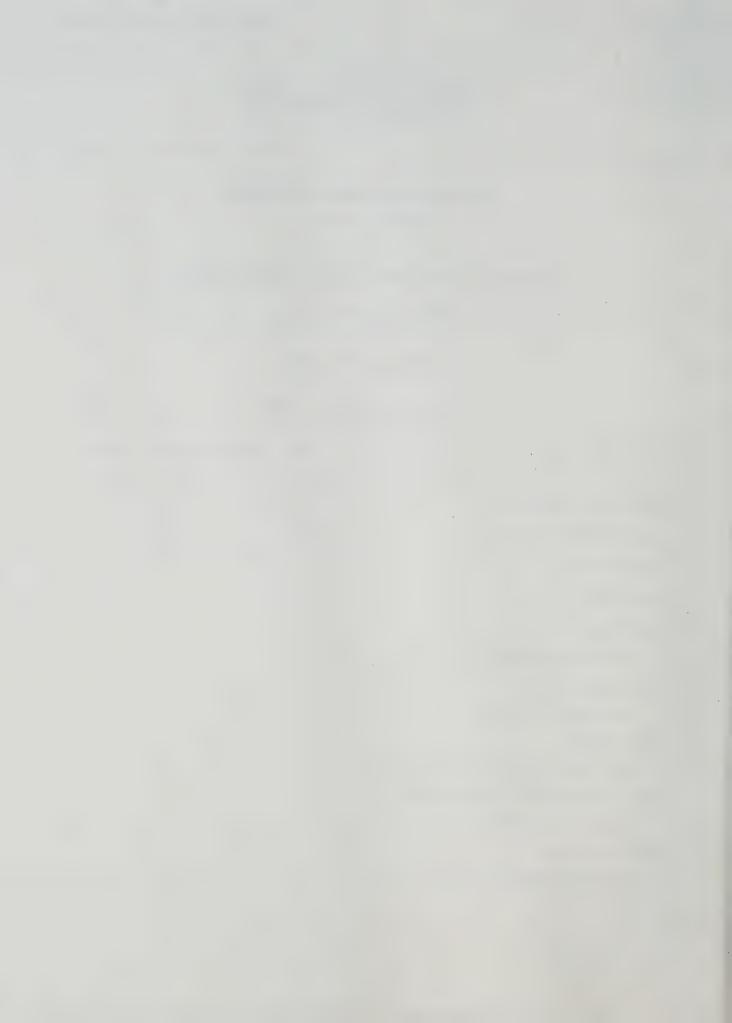
Mark Fried, Program Development Officer.

Physicians for Global Survival (Canada):

Sheila Zurbrigg, Director.

War Child Canada:

Eric Hoskins, Doctor; President.







MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Leeting No. 20

hursday, February 20, 2003

The Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 9:07 a.m. this day, in Room 371, West Block, the Chair, Bernard Patry, presiding.

Member(s) of the Committee present: Stéphane Bergeron, Murray Calder, Aileen Carroll, Stockwell Day, John Duncan, The Hon. Art Eggleton, Mark Eyking, John Harvard, André Harvey, Francine Lalonde, The Hon. Diane Marleau, Keith Martin, Alexa McDonough, Deepak Obhrai, Bernard Patry, Karen Redman.

cting Member(s) present: Mac Harb for Irwin Cotler.

ssociate Member(s) present: Karen Kraft Sloan and Bob Speller.

attendance: From the Parliamentary Research Branch, Library of Parliament: James Lee and Gerald Schmitz, esearch Officers.

Vitnesses: From the North-South Institute: Roy Culpeper, President. From CARE Canada: A. John Watson, President. From Physicians for Global Survival (Canada): Dr. Sheila Zurbrigg, Director. From Oxfam Canada: Mark Fried, rogram Development Officer. From War Child Canada: Dr. Eric Hoskins, President.

ursuant to Standing Order 108(2), Consideration of the situation of Iraq (See Minutes of Proceedings of Thursday, Jebruary 6, 2003, Meeting No. 16).

he Witnesses made statements and answered questions.

t 10:25 a.m., the Vice-Chair, Hon Diane Marleau, took the Chair.

t 10:40 a.m., the Chair, Bernard Patry, took the Chair.

t 10:49 a.m., the sitting was suspended.

t 10:58 a.m., the Committee proceeded to sit in camera.

he Committee considered its Future Business.

was agreed, -- That with regard to Committee consideration of the Iraq situation, a videoconference appearance from lew York City of Professor Thomas Franck, an international law specialist at New York University, be arranged for hursday, February 27, 2003.

was agreed, -- That for consideration of the 2003-2004 Estimates that the Committee hold three meetings to which ach respectively would be invited the Minister of Foreign Affairs, the Minister of International Trade and the Minister or International Cooperation.

was agreed, -- That a budget for travel by the Committee to New York (UN) and several western European Capitals

in May 2003 in relation to its study on relations with the Muslim World be adopted and submitted to the Liaison Committee.

It was agreed, -- That a budget of the Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment for traveto the Asia-Pacific Region in May 2003 in relation to the Sub-Committee's examination in view of strengthening economic relations between Canada and the Asia-Pacific region be adopted and submitted to the Liaison Committee.

At 11:44 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Stephen Knowles

Clerk(s) of the Committee

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Standing Committee on

FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Chair: Bernard Patry, Lib.

Meeting No. 21

Tuesday, February 25, 2003

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study on the situation of Iraq

WITNESSES:

International Institute for Strategic Studies, United States:

Terence Taylor, President and Executive Director.

Pearson Peacekeeping Centre:

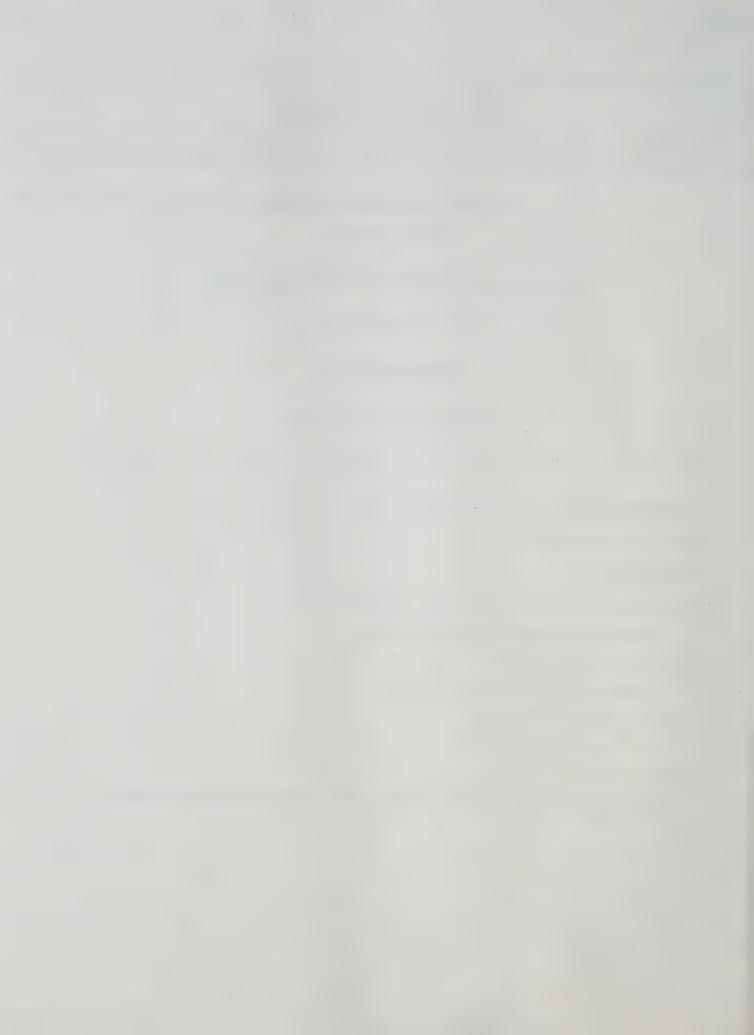
Jocelyn Coulon, Director, Montreal Campus.

"Université du Québec à Montréal":

Marco Sassoli, Professor of Law.

University of Calgary:

James Keeley, Professor of Political Science, Fellow, Centre for Strategic and Military Studies.







1eeting No. 21

uesday, February 25, 2003

he Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 9:10 a.m. this day, in Room 371, West Block, the Chair, Bernard Patry, presiding.

Member(s) of the Committee present: Stéphane Bergeron, Murray Calder, Aileen Carroll, Bill Casey, Irwin Cotler, Itockwell Day, The Hon. Art Eggleton, Mark Eyking, André Harvey, Francine Lalonde, The Hon. Diane Marleau, Leith Martin, Alexa McDonough, Bernard Patry, and Karen Redman.

leting Member(s) present: Jim Peterson for Irwin Cotler and Karen Kraft Sloan for John Harvard.

n attendance: From the Parliamentary Research Branch, Library of Parliament: Gerald Schmitz and Marcus Pistor, Research Officers.

Vitness(es): From the International Institute for Strategic Studies - United States: Terence Taylor, President and Executive Director. From the Pearson Peacekeeping Centre: Jocelyn Coulon, Director, Montreal Campus. From the Iniversity of Calgary: James Keeley, Professor of Political Science, Fellow, Centre for Strategic and Military Studies. From the "Université du Québec à Montréal": Marco Sassoli, Professor of Law.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of the situation of Iraq (See Minutes of Proceedings of Thursday, February 6, 2003, Meeting No. 16).

he witnesses made statements and answered questions.

at 11:08 a.m., the sitting was suspended.

at 11:12 a.m., the sitting resumed.

Alexa McDonough moved, - - That in view of the recent compelling evidence presented to the Standing Committee on oreign Affairs and International Trade, the Committee call upon the Government of Canada to begin leading proactive fforts aimed at engaging members of the United Nations in addressing the existing humanitarian crisis in Iraq and the ertain humanitarian catastrophe that would be caused by a war on that country.

Keith Martin moved, -- That the words, "begin leading proactive efforts aimed at engaging" be struck out and the ollowing be substituted therefore; "increase our involvement in ongoing efforts with".

After debate the question was put on the amendment and it was agreed to.

Karen Redman moved, -- That the debate on the motion be deferred to the next meeting of the Committee.

The question was put on the motion and it was negatived.

On a motion by Stéphane Bergeron, it was agreed, -- That the motion be amended by inserting between the words "pour" and "éviter" (of the French version) the words "contribuer à".

It was agreed, -- That the English and French texts of the motion be amended to be in accordance with the amendmer made to each version.

After the debate the question was put on the main motion as amended and it was agreed to as follows:

"That, in view of the recent compelling evidence presented to the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade, the Committee call upon the Government of Canada to increase our involvement in ongoing effors with members of the United Nations to relieve the existing humanitarian crisis in Iraq and contribute to averting the certain humanitarian catastrophe that would be caused by a war on that country."

It was agreed, -- That the motion be adopted as a report of the Committee and that the Chair report the motion to the House.

At 11:38 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Stephen Knowles

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FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Chair: Bernard Patry, Lib.

Meeting No. 22

Thursday, February 27, 2003

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study on the situation of Iraq

WITNESSES:

Center for Economic and Social Rights:

Roger Normand, Executive Director.

New York University School of Law:

Thomas Franck, Professor.







Meeting No. 22

Thursday, February 27, 2003

The Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 9:10 a.m. this day, via videoconference, in Room 701, La Promenade Building, the Chair, Bernard Patry, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Stéphane Bergeron, Murray Calder, Aileen Carroll, Bill Casey, Irwin Cotler, The Hon. Art Eggleton, Mark Eyking, André Harvey, The Hon. Diane Marleau, Keith Martin, Deepak Obhrai, Bernard Patry, Karen Redman.

In attendance: From the Parliamentary Research Branch, Library of Parliament: James Lee and Gerald Schmitz, Research Officers.

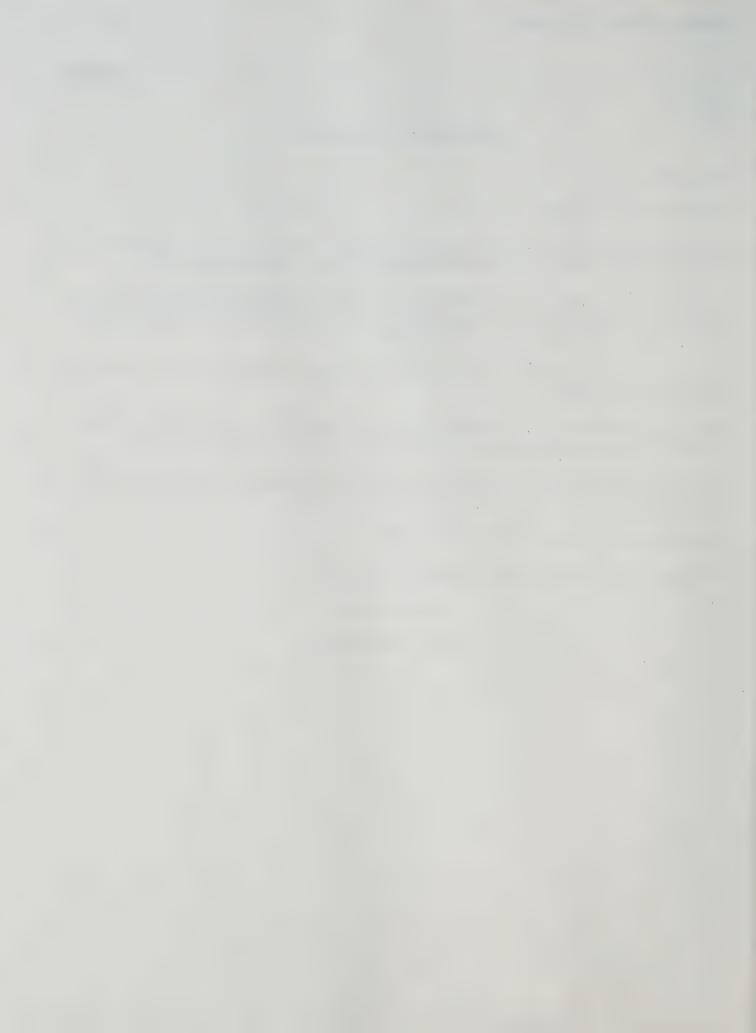
Witnesses: From the New York University School of Law: Thomas Franck, Professor of Law. From the Center for Economic and Social Rights (Brooklyn NY): Roger Normand, Executive Director.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of the situation of Iraq (See Minutes of Proceedings of Thursday, February 6, Meeting No. 16).

The witnesses made statements and answered questions.

At 10:48 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Stephen Knowles





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FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Chair: Bernard Patry, Lib.

Meeting No. 23

Tuesday, March 18, 2003

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of the Dialogue on Foreign Policy

WITNESSES:

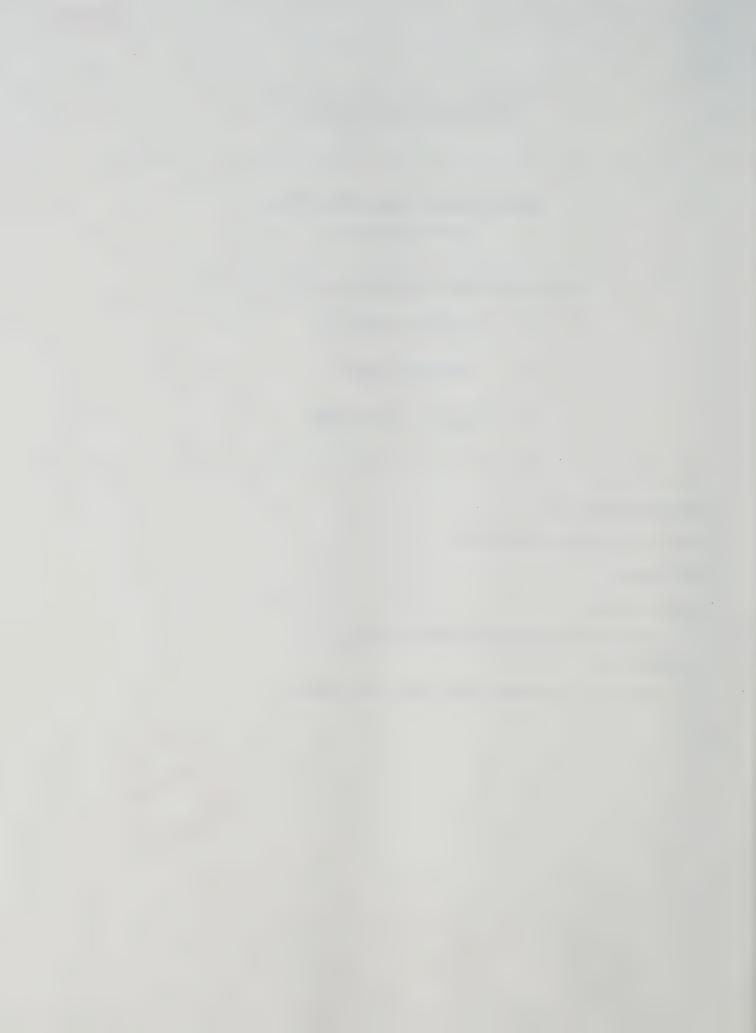
Carleton University:

John Sigler, Adjunct Professor of Political Science.

As Individual:

Yves Fortier, Chairman and Senior Partner, Ogilvy Renault.









Meeting No. 23

Tuesday, March 18, 2003

The Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met in a televised session at 9:07 a.m. this day, in Room 237-C, Centre Block, the Chair, Bernard Patry, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Stéphane Bergeron, Murray Calder, Aileen Carroll, Bill Casey, Irwin Cotler, Stockwell Day, The Hon. Art Eggleton, André Harvey, Francine Lalonde, The Hon. Diane Marleau, Keith Martin, Alexa McDonough, Deepak Obhrai, Bernard Patry, Karen Redman.

Other Member present: The Hon. Jim Peterson

In attendance: From the Parliamentary Research Branch, Library of Parliament: Gerald Schmitz and James Lee, Research Officers.

Witnesses: As Individual: Yves Fortier, Chairman and Senior Partner, Ogilvy Renault. From Carleton University: John Sigler, Adjunct Professor of Political Science.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee commenced its study of the Dialogue on Foreign Policy of the Minister of Foreign Affairs (See Minutes of Proceedings of Tuesday, February 11, 2003, Meeting No. 17.)

The witnesses made statements and answered questions.

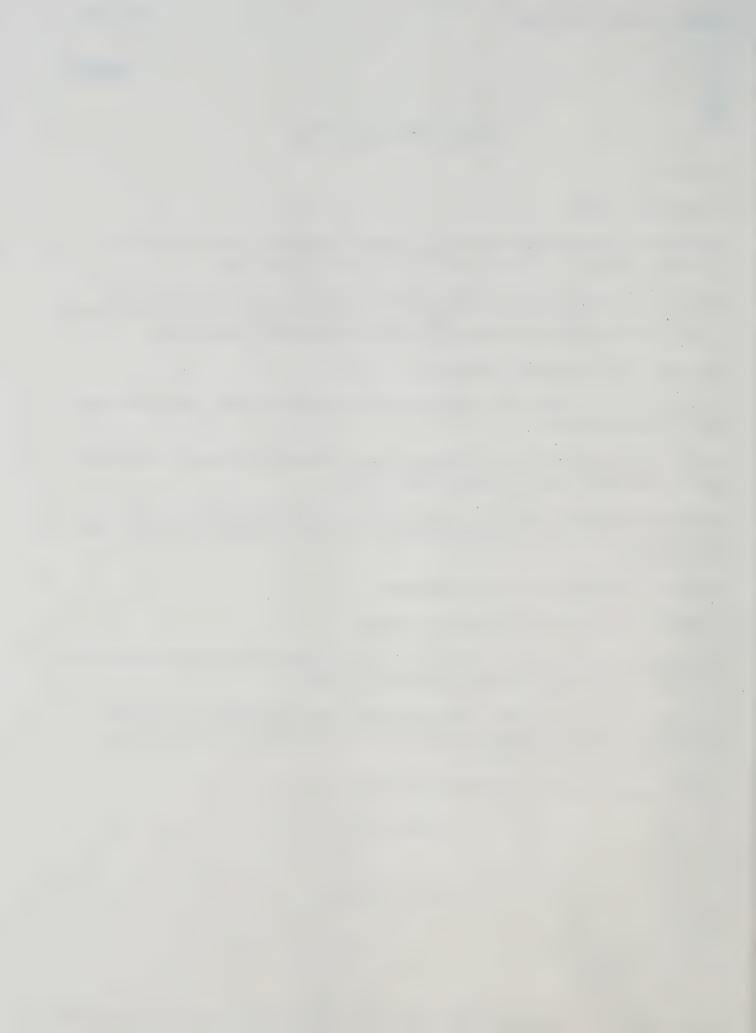
At 10:50 a.m. the Committee considered its future business.

By unanimous consent it was agreed, -- That the Committee receive the Vice Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Panama for a working lunch on March 18, 2003.

By unanimous consent it was agreed, -- That the Committee hold a working meal or meeting with a delegation of Australian Parliamentarians, lead by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, on either Monday March 31 or Tuesday April 1.

At 10:56 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Stephen Knowles



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Standing Committee on

FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Chair: Bernard Patry, Lib.

Meeting No. 24

Thursday, March 20, 2003

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of the new policy of the Canadian International Development Agency on Strengthening Aid Effectiveness

APPEARING:

The Honourable Susan Whelan, Minister for International Cooperation







Meeting No. 24

Thursday, April 3, 2003

The Standing Committee on Agriculture and Agri-Food met at 11:10 a.m. this day, in Room 269, West Block, the Chair, Paul Steckle, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: David L. Anderson, Gérard Binet, Claude Duplain, Mark Eyking, Howard Hilstrom, Rick Laliberte, John Maloney, Louis Plamondon, Paul Steckle and Rose-Marie Ur.

Acting Members present: Bernard Bigras for Marcel Gagnon; Murray Calder for Bob Speller; Judy Wasylycia-Leis for Dick Proctor.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Frédéric Forge, analyst; Jean-Denis Fréchette, analyst.

Witnesses: From the Grain Growers of Canada: Don McCabe, Chairman, Environment Committee; Don Kenny, Director and Member of the Executive Committee; Cam Dahl, Executive Director. From the Canadian Wheat Board: Ken Ritter, Chair, Board of Directors; Bill Nicholson, Director, district 9; Patty Rosher, Program Manager, Market Development, Sales and Market Development. From the Canadian National Millers Association: Gordon Harrison, President.

Pursuant to the motion adopted by the Committee on Thursday, November 7, 2002, the Committee proceeded to the notice of motion of Marcel Gagnon.

Mr. Plamondon, moved, - That the report by the inter-departmental group (Department of Agriculture and Agri-Food, Department of Finance, Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade and the Canada Customs and Revenue Agency) set up following the demonstration by farmers in the early fall in Chicoutimi be tabled with the Standing Committee on Agriculture and Agri-Food.

After debate, the question was put on the motion and it was negatived on the following recorded division:

Yeas: David L. Anderson, Bernard Bigras, Howard Hilstrom and Louis Plamondon – 4

Nays: Gérard Binet, Murray Calder, Claude Duplain, Mark Eyking, John Maloney and Rose-Marie Ur. - 6

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee commenced consideration of the approval of genetically modified wheat and its effect on Canadian agriculture.

Don McCabe and Don Kenny made opening statements and with the other witness, answered questions.

Ken Ritter made an opening statement and with the other witnesses, answered questions.

At 12:10 p.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 12:15 p.m., the sitting resumed.

Gordon Harrison made an opening statement and answered questions.

At 1:00 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Bibiane Ouellette

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Standing Committee on

FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Chair: Bernard Patry, Lib.

Meeting No. 25

Tuesday, March 25, 2003

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Consideration of a Dialogue on Foreign Policy of the Minister of Foreign Affairs

APPEARING:

The Honourable Bill Graham, Minister of Foreign Affairs

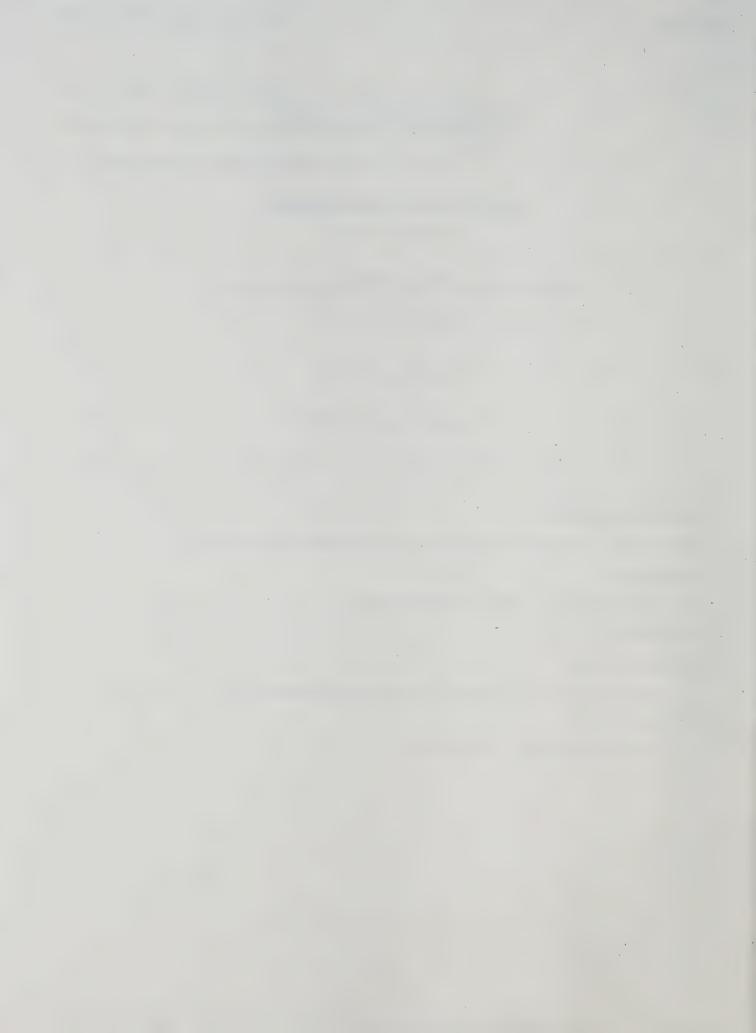
WITNESSES:

Carleton University:

Andrew Cohen, Professor, School of Journalism and Communication.

Concordia University:

Peter Stoett, Professor of Political Science.







Meeting No. 25

Tuesday, March 25, 2003

The Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met in a televised session at 9:05 a.m. this day, in Room 237-C, Centre Block, the Chair, Bernard Patry, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Stéphane Bergeron, Murray Calder, Aileen Carroll, Bill Casey, Irwin Cotler, Stockwell Day, Hon. Art Eggleton, Mark Eyking, André Harvey, Francine Lalonde, Hon. Diane Marleau, Keith Martin, Alexa McDonough, Bernard Patry, Karen Redman.

Acting Member present: Karen Kraft Sloan for John Harvard.

In attendance: From the Parliamentary Research Branch, Library of Parliament: Gerald Schmitz and James Lee, Research Officers.

Appearing: Hon. Bill Graham, Minister of Foreign Affairs.

Witnesses: From the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade: Dan Costello, Executive Assistant to the Minister, Nathalie Brender, Policy Advisor to the Minister. From Concordia University: Peter Stoett, Professor of Political Science. From Carleton University: Andrew Cohen, Professor, School of Journalism and Communication.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of a Dialogue on Foreign Policy of the Minister of Foreign Affairs (See Minutes of Proceedings of Thursday, February 11, 2003, Meeting No. 17).

The Minister made a statement and answered questions.

At 10:00 the sitting was suspended.

At 10:10 the sitting resumed.

Peter Stoett and Andrew Cohen made statements and answered questions.

At 11:45 the Committee proceeded to discuss its future business.

It was agreed, -- That further to the Order of March 20, 2003 concerning travel with regard to the study of relations with the Muslim World that Morocco be the Muslim country to be visited.

At 11:48 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Stephen Knowles

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Standing Committee on

FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Chair: Bernard Patry, Lib.

Meeting No. 26

Thursday, March 27, 2003

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Consideration of a Dialogue on Foreign Policy of the Minister of Foreign Affairs

WITNESSES:

Carleton University:

John Noble, Associate, Centre for Trade Policy and Law.

University of Victoria:

Gordon Smith, Executive Director, Centre for Global Studies, Chair, Board of Governors, International Development Research Centre.







Meeting No. 26

Thursday, March 27, 2003

The Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 9:09 a.m. this day, in Room 308, West Block, the Chair, Bernard Patry, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Murray Calder, Bill Casey, Irwin Cotler, Stockwell Day, John Duncan, Hon. Art Eggleton, John Harvard, André Harvey, Francine Lalonde, Hon. Diane Marleau, Keith Martin, Alexa McDonough, Deepak Obhrai, Bernard Patry, Karen Redman.

Acting Member present: Karen Kraft Sloan for John Harvard.

In attendance: From the Parliamentary Research Branch, Library of Parliament: James Lee, Research Officer.

Witnesses: From Carleton University: John Noble, Associate, Centre for Trade Policy and Law. From the University of Victoria: Gordon Smith, Executive Director, Centre for Global Studies, Chair, Board of Governors, International Development Research Centre.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of a Dialogue on Foreign Policy of the Minister of Foreign Affairs (See Minutes of Proceedings of Thursday, February 11, 2003, Meeting No. 17).

The witnesses made statements and answered questions.

At 10:25 a.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 10:32 a.m., the sitting resumed.

Questioning of the witnesses resumed.

At 11:45 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Stephen Knowles



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Joint Meeting of the Standing Committee on

FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Chair: Bernard Patry, Lib.

and the Subcommittee on

HUMAN RIGHTS AND INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Chair: Irwin Cotler, Lib.

Meeting No. 27

Tuesday, April 1, 2003

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of a Dialogue on Foreign Policy of the Minister of Foreign Affairs

WITNESS:

As Individual:

Stephen Lewis, Special Envoy of the Secretary-General of the United Nations on HIV/AIDS in Africa.







Meeting No. 27

Tuesday, April 1st, 2003

The Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met jointly with the Sub-Committee on Human Rights and International Development at 9:10 a.m. this day, in Room 308, West Block, the Chair, Bernard Patry, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Murray Calder, Aileen Carroll, Bill Casey, Irwin Cotler, Hon. Art Eggleton, Mark Eyking, André Harvey, Hon. Diane Marleau, Keith Martin, Alexa McDonough, Bernard Patry.

Members of the Sub-Committee on Human Rights and International Development present: Colleen Beaumier, Bill Casey, Irwin Cotler, Karen Kraft Sloan, Yves Rocheleau.

Acting Member of the Sub-Committee on Human Rights and International Development present: John Godfrey for Beth Phinney.

In attendance: From the Parliamentary Research Branch, Library of Parliament: James Lee, Research Officer.

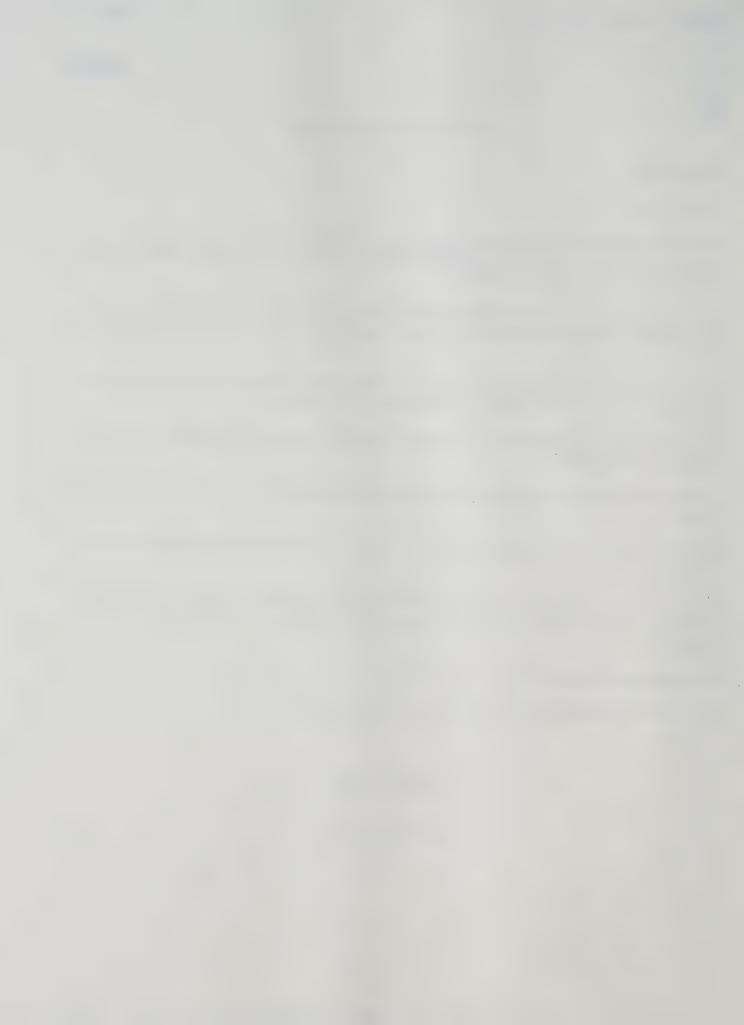
Witness: As Individual: Stephen Lewis, Special Envoy of the Secretary-General of the United Nations on HIV/AIDS in Africa.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of a Dialogue on Foreign Policy of the Minister of Foreign Affairs (See Minutes of Proceedings of Thursday, February 11, 2003, Meeting No. 17).

The witness made a statement and answered questions.

At 11:00 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Stephen Knowles



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Standing Committee on

FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Chair: Bernard Patry, Lib.

Meeting No. 28

Thursday, April 3, 2003

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of a Dialogue on Foreign Policy of the Minister of Foreign Affairs

WITNESSES:

Queen's University:

Kim Nossal, Professor of Political Science.

University of Montreal:

Pierre Martin, Professor of Political Science.







Meeting No. 28

Chursday, April 3, 2003

The Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 9:13 a.m. this day, in Room 308, West Block, the Chair, Bernard Patry, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Stéphane Bergeron, Murray Calder, Aileen Carroll, Bill Casey, Irwin Cotler, Stockwell Day, John Duncan, Hon. Art Eggleton, Mark Eyking, André Harvey, Hon. Diane Marleau, Keith Martin, Alexa McDonough, Bernard Patry.

Acting Members present: Paul Bonwick for John Harvard, Dominic LeBlanc for Karen Redman, Rob Merrifield for Deepak Obhrai, Odina Desrochers for Francine Lalonde, Greg Thompson for Bill Casey.

n attendance: From the Parliamentary Research Branch, Library of Parliament: James Lee, Research Officer.

Vitnesses: From Queen's University: Prof. Kim Richard Nossal, Professor of Political Science. From the University of Montreal: Prof. Pierre Martin, Professor of Political Science.

Fursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of a Dialogue on Foreign Policy of the Minister of Foreign Affairs (See Minutes of Proceedings of Thursday, February 11, 2003, Meeting No. 17).

The witnesses made statements and answered questions.

at 9:50 a.m. Hon. Diane Marleau, Vice-Chair, took the Chair.

At 10:56 a.m. Bernard Patry took the Chair.

At 10:58 a.m. Stockwell Day moved, -- That the Committee, acknowledging that health issues transcend political orders, supports the bid of Taiwan for observer status at the World Health Organization and that the Committee so eport to the House.

After debate the question was put on the motion and it was agreed to on the following recorded division:

YEAS: 10

Stéphane Bergeron Odina Desrochers Keith Martin Greg Thompson Irwin Cotler John Duncan Alexa McDonough

Stockwell Day Hon Diane Marleau Rob Merrifield

NAYS: 3

Aileen Carroll

André Harvey

Dominic LeBlanc

Ordered – That the Chair present the motion to the House as a report of the Committee.

At 11:20 a.m. the Committee proceeded to consider its future business.

By unanimous consent the Committee considered an amended budget for travel with respect to its consideration of relations with Muslim countries from May 8 to 15, 2003 including visits to New York, Morocco, London and Paris.

It was agreed, -- That the amended budget in the amount of \$130,456.60 for the Committee's travel to New York, Morocco, London and Paris from May 8 to 15, 2003 with respect to its study of relations with Muslim countries be adopted, replacing the travel budget adopted on February 20, 2003, and that the Chair present the amended budget to the Budget Sub-Committee of the Liaison Committee.

By unanimous consent it was agreed, -- That the Committee request the authorization of the Budget Sub-Committee the Liaison Committee for the Committee to charge, if required, official hospitality costs to the Committee's general Operational Budget, when the costs of such hospitality exceed the amount authorized for this activity.

At 11:28 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Stephen Knowles

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Standing Committee on

FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Chair: Bernard Patry, Lib.

Meeting No. 29

Tuesday, April 8, 2003

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of a Dialogue on Foreign Policy of the Minister of Foreign Affairs

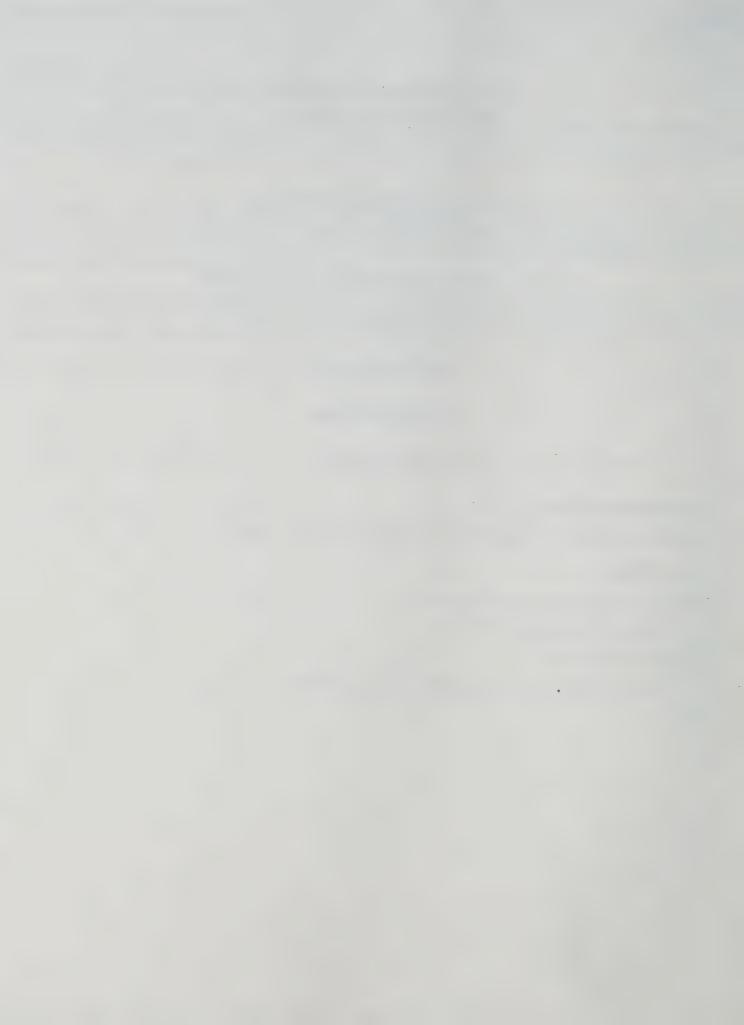
WITNESSES:

Canada-United States Fulbright Program:

Michael Hawes, Executive Director.

University of Calgary:

Annette Hester, Director, Latin American Research Centre.







leeting No. 29

uesday, April 8, 2003

The Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 9:10 a.m. this day, in Room 371, West Block, the Chair, Bernard Patry, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Stéphane Bergeron, Murray Calder, Aileen Carroll, Stockwell Day, Hon. Art ggleton, Francine Lalonde, Hon. Diane Marleau, Keith Martin, Bernard Patry, Karen Redman.

ssociate Member present: Karen Kraft Sloan.

n attendance: From the Parliamentary Research Branch, Library of Parliament: James Lee and Marcus Pistor, esearch Officers.

Vitness: From Canada-United States Fulbright Program: Michael Hawes, Executive Director. From the University of Calgary: Annette Hester, Director, Latin American Research Centre.

ursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of a Dialogue on Foreign Policy of the Minister of Foreign Affairs (See Minutes of Proceedings of Thursday, February 11, 2003, Meeting No. 17).

he witnesses made statements and answered questions.

at 9:42 a.m. the Committee proceeded to discuss its future business.

by unanimous consent it was agreed, -- That the Committee hold a working lunch with Mr. Karsten Voight, Coordinator for German-American Cooperation of the German Government, on May 1, 2003.

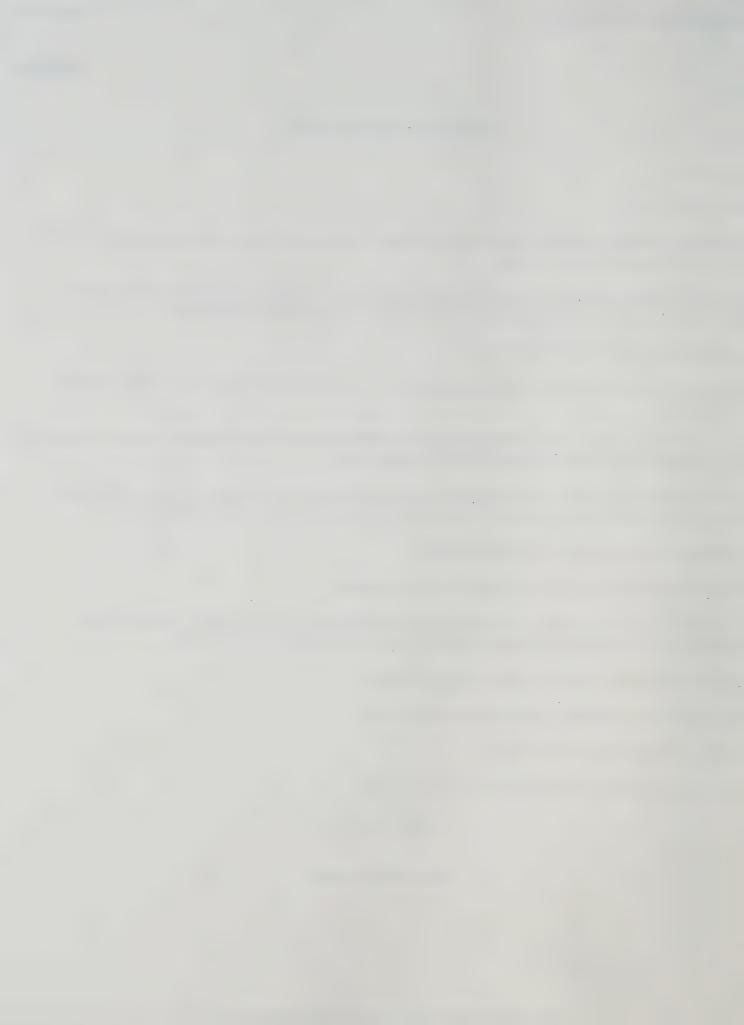
at 9:44 a.m. the Committee resumed questioning of witnesses.

at 9:50 a.m. the Vice-Chair Hon. Diane Marleau took the chair.

at 10:18 a.m. Bernard Patry took the Chair.

at 10:50 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Stephen Knowles



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Standing Committee on

FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Chair: Bernard Patry, Lib.

Meeting No. 30

Wednesday, April 9, 2003

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

Study of the Main Estimates for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2004 Study of the Main Estimates for 2003-2004

APPEARING:

Hon. Pierre Pettigrew, Minister for International Trade, House of Commons

WITNESSES:

Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade:

Leonard J. Edwards, Deputy Minister, International Trade;

Suzanne Vinet, Director General, Trade Policy II - Services, Investment and Intellectual Property Bureau.







Meeting No. 30

Wednesday, April 9, 2003

The Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 3:34 p.m. this day, in Room 209, West Block, the Chair, Bernard Patry, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Stéphane Bergeron, Murray Calder, Aileen Carroll, Irwin Cotler, John Duncan, Mark Eyking, André Harvey, Francine Lalonde, Hon. Diane Marleau, Deepak Obhrai, Bernard Patry, Karen Redman.

Acting Member present: Lorne Nystrom for Alexa McDonough.

Associate Members present: Rick Casson and Karen Kraft Sloan.

In attendance: From the Parliamentary Research Branch, Library of Parliament: James Lee, Research Officer.

Appearing: From the House of Commons: Hon. Pierre Pettigrew, Minister for International Trade.

Witnesses: From the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade: Leonard J. Edwards, Deputy Minister, International Trade; Kathryn E. McCallion, Assistant Deputy Minister, Corporate Services, Passport and Consular Affairs; Suzanne Vinet, Director General, Trade Policy II - Services, Investment and Intellectual Property Bureau.

The Order of Reference of February 26, 2003 was read as follows:

Pursuant to Standing Order 81(4), the Main Estimates for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2004, were deemed referred to the several Standing Committees of the House as follows:

To the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade Foreign Affairs, Votes 1, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, L30, 40, 45, 50 and 55.

Pursuant to Standing Order 81(4), the Committee proceeded to the consideration of the Main Estimates for 2003-2004: Votes 1, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, L30, L35, 40, 45, 50 and 55 under Foreign Affairs and International Trade referred to the Committee on Wednesday, February 26, 2003.

The Chair called Vote 1.

The Minister made a statement and with Suzanne Vinet and Leonard Edwards answered questions.

At 5:01 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Stephen Knowles

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Standing Committee on

FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Chair: Bernard Patry, Lib.

Meeting No. 31

Thursday, April 10, 2003

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of a Dialogue on Foreign Policy of the Minister of Foreign Affairs

WITNESSES:

University of British Columbia:

Andrew Mack, Director, Human Security Centre.

University of Western Ontario:

Salim Mansur, Professor, Political Science.

As Individual:

Reid Morden, President, Reid Morden and Associates.









Meeting No. 31

Thursday, April 10, 2003

The Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 9:09 a.m. this day, in Room 308, West Block, the Chair, Bernard Patry, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Stéphane Bergeron, Murray Calder, Aileen Carroll, Stockwell Day, André Harvey, Francine Lalonde, Hon. Diane Marleau, Keith Martin, Alexa McDonough, Deepak Obhrai, Bernard Patry, Karen Redman.

Acting Member present: Karen Kraft Sloan for Hon. Art Eggleton.

In attendance: From the Parliamentary Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: James Lee and Gerald Schmitz, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the University of Western Ontario: Salim Mansur, Professor of Political Science. As Individual: Reid Morden, President, Reid Morden and Associates. From the University of British Columbia: Andrew Mack, Director, Human Security Centre.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of a Dialogue on Foreign Policy of the Minister of Foreign Affairs (See Minutes of Proceedings of Thursday, February 11, 2003, Meeting No. 17).

The witnesses made statements and answered questions.

At 10:30 a.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 10:08 a.m., the sitting was resumed.

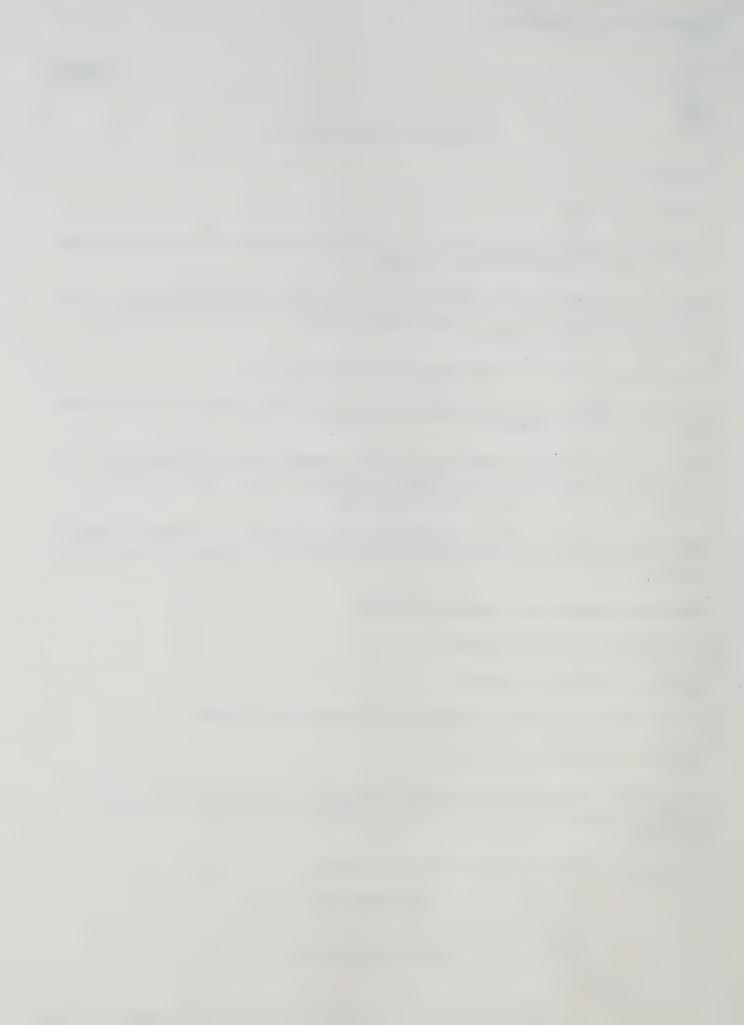
At 11:00 a.m., by unanimous consent the Committee proceeded to sit in camera.

The Committee discussed its future business.

It was agreed, — That, the Committee considers issues relating to the 5th Ministerial Meeting of the World Trade Organization and hold a meeting with representative witnesses from civil society organizations.

At 11:22 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Stephen Knowles



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Standing Committee on

FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Chair: Bernard Patry, Lib.

Meeting No. 32

Tuesday, April 29, 2003

IN CAMERA







Meeting No. 32

Tuesday, April 29, 2003

The Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met *in camera* at 9:15 a.m. this day, in Room 308, West Block, the Chair, Bernard Patry, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Murray Calder, Aileen Carroll, Bill Casey, Irwin Cotler, Stockwell Day, Hon. Art Eggleton, Mark Eyking, John Harvard, André Harvey, Francine Lalonde, Hon. Diane Marleau, Keith Martin, Alexa McDonough, Bernard Patry.

Acting Member present: Karen Kraft Sloan for Karen Redman.

In attendance: From the Parliamentary Research Branch, Library of Parliament: James Lee and Marcus Pistor, Research Officers.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of a Dialogue on Foreign Policy of the Minister of Foreign Affairs (See Minutes of Proceedings of Thursday, February 11, 2003, Meeting No. 17).

The Committee considered a draft report.

At 11:04 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Stephen Knowles



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Standing Committee on

FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Chair: Bernard Patry, Lib.

Meeting No. 33

Thursday, May 1st, 2003

IN CAMERA







Meeting No. 33

Thursday, May 1st, 2003

The Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met *in camera* at 9:14 a.m. this day, in Room 308, West Block, the Chair, Bernard Patry, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Murray Calder, Aileen Carroll, Bill Casey, Irwin Cotler, Stockwell Day, Hon. Art Eggleton, Mark Eyking, John Harvard, Francine Lalonde, Hon. Diane Marleau, Keith Martin, Alexa McDonough and Bernard Patry.

In attendance: From the Parliamentary Research Branch, Library of Parliament: James Lee and Marcus Pistor, Research Officers.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of a Dialogue on Foreign Policy of the Minister of Foreign Affairs (See Minutes of Proceedings of Thursday, February 11, 2003, Meeting No. 17).

The Committee resumed consideration of a draft report:

It was agreed,

- -- That the draft report as amended be adopted as a Report to the House and that the Chair or his designate present it to the House.
- -- That, pursuant to Standing Order 109, the Committee request that the Government table a comprehensive response to this report.
- -- That the Chair be authorized to make such typographical and editorial changes as may be necessary without changing the substance of the report.
- -- That, pursuant to Standing Order 108(1)(a), the Committee authorize the printing of brief dissenting and/or supplementary opinions as appendices to this report immediately after the signature of the Chair, that the opinions be sent to the Clerk of the Committee by electronic mail in both official languages on/before Tuesday May 6, 2003 at 12 noon.

It was agreed, -- That in cases where a witness for reasons of incapacity requires assistance for travel, the Committee, on the approval of the Chair, may pay the travel costs of an accompanying person.

At 11:12 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Stephen Knowles

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Standing Committee on

FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Chair: Bernard Patry, Lib.

Meeting No. 34

Tuesday, May 6, 2003

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of Relations with Muslim Countries

WITNESSES:

Canadian Islamic Congress:

Wahida Valiante, National Vice-President and Vice-Chair for the Board.

Carleton University:

John Sigler, Adjunct Professor of Political Science.

Royal Military College of Canada:

Houchang Hassan-Yari, Professor of Political Science.

University of Alberta:

Saleem Qureshi, Professor Emeritus of Political Science.







Meeting No. 34

Tuesday, May 6, 2003

The Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 9:12 a.m. this day, in Room 308, West Block, the Chair, Bernard Patry, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Murray Calder, Aileen Carroll, Bill Casey, Irwin Cotler, Stockwell Day, Hon. Art Eggleton, John Harvard, André Harvey, Francine Lalonde, Hon. Diane Marleau, Deepak Obhrai, Bernard Patry.

Acting Member present: Karen Kraft Sloan for Mark Eyking

In attendance: From the Parliamentary Research Branch, Library of Parliament: James Lee and Marcus Pistor, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Canadian Islamic Congress: Wahida Valiante, National Vice-President and Vice-Chair for the Board. From the Royal Military College of Canada: Houchang Hassan-Yari, Professeur and Head, Political and Economic Science. From the University of Alberta: Saleem M.M. Qureshi, Professor Emeritus of Political Science. From Carleton University: John Sigler, Adjunct Professor of Political Science.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee commenced its study of Relations with Muslim Countries (See Minutes of Proceedings of February 6, 2003, Meeting No. 16).

The witnesses made statements.

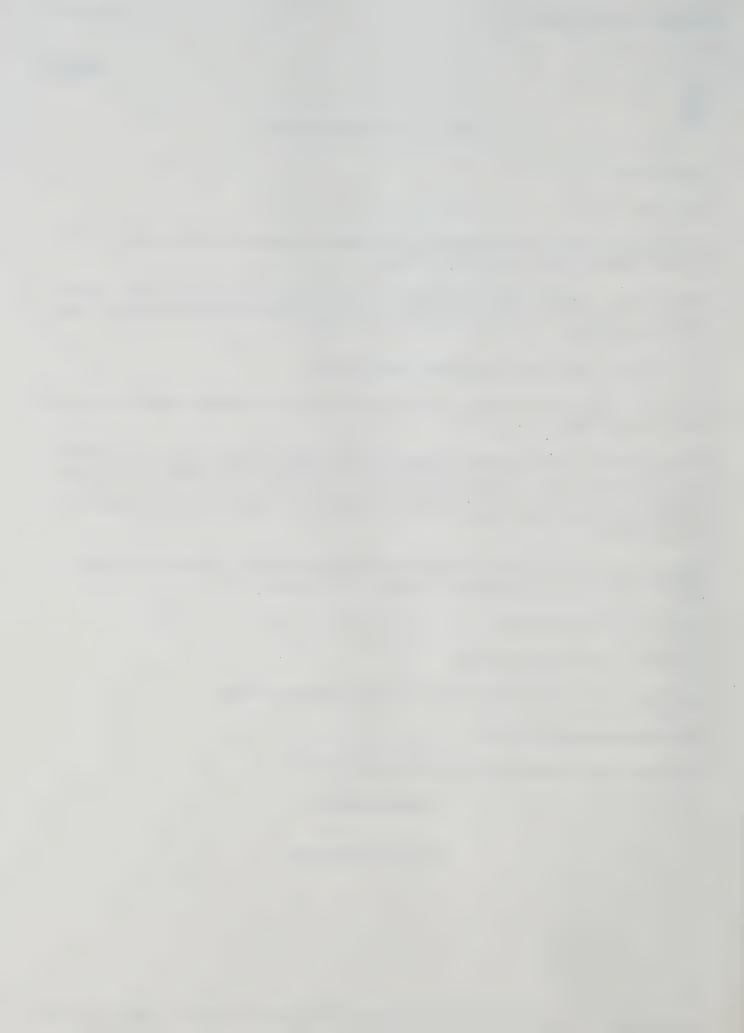
At 10:28 a.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 11:03 a.m., the sitting resumed, the Vice-Chair Diane Marleau presiding.

The witnesses answered questions.

At 11:48 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Stephen Knowles



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Standing Committee on

FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Chair: Bernard Patry, Lib.

Meeting No. 35

Wednesday, May 7, 2003

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Consideration of Relations with Muslim Countries

WITNESSES:

Aga Khan Foundation Canada:

Nazeer Ladhani, Chief Executive Officer.

McGill University:

A. Üner Turgay, Director, Institute of Islamic Studies.

National Council on Canada Arab Relations:

Mazen Chouaib, Executive Director.







Meeting No. 35

Wednesday, May 7, 2003

The Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 3:38 p.m. this day, in Room 209, West Block, the Chair, Bernard Patry, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Murray Calder, Aileen Carroll, Bill Casey, Irwin Cotler, Hon. Art Eggleton, John Harvard, Francine Lalonde, Hon. Diane Marleau, Alexa McDonough, Deepak Obhrai, Bernard Patry, Karen Redman.

Associate Member present: Karen Kraft Sloan

In attendance: From the Parliamentary Research Branch, Library of Parliament: James Lee and Marcus Pistor, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the National Council on Canada Arab Relations: Mazen Chouaib, Executive Director. From McGill University: A. Üner Turgay, Director, Institute of Islamic Studies. From the Aga Khan Foundation Canada: Nazeer Aziz Ladhani, Chief Executive Officer.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of Relations with Muslim Countries (See Minutes of Proceedings of Thursday, February 6, 2003, Meeting No. 16).

The witnesses made statements.

At 3:55 p.m., the Vice-Chair, Hon. Diane Marleau took the Chair.

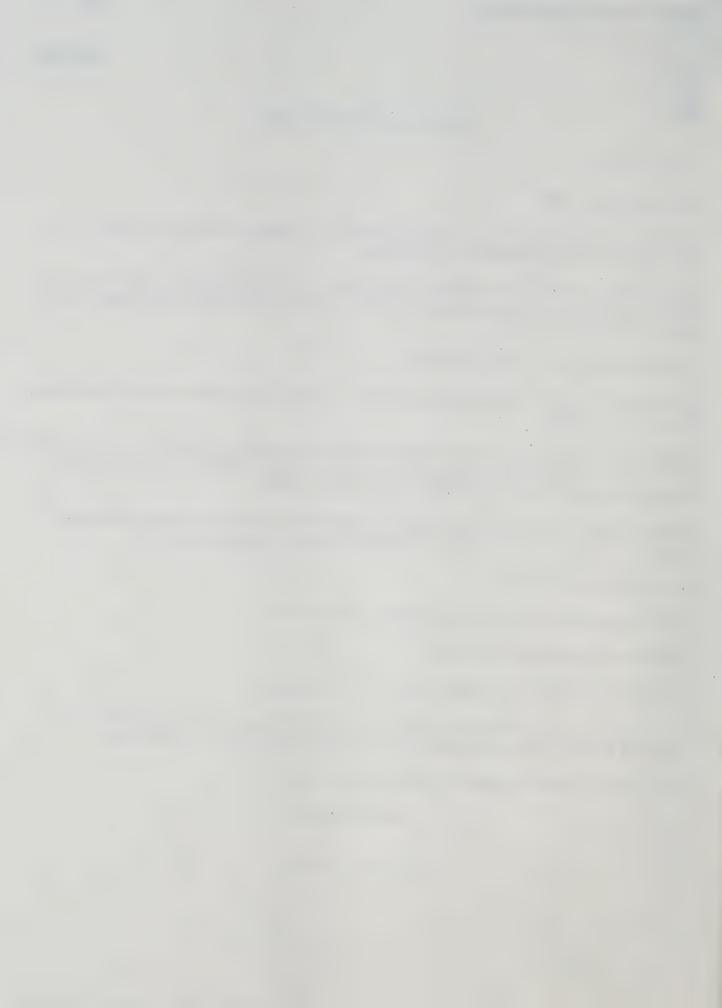
At 4:00 p.m., Bernard Patry took the Chair.

At 5:32 p.m. the Committee proceeded to discuss its future business.

By unanimous consent it was agreed, - That the Committee would meet over working meals with delegations from the Turkish, Iranian and Russian Parliaments prior to the June adjournment.

At 5:33 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Stephen Knowles



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Standing Committee on

FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Chair: Bernard Patry, Lib.

Meeting No. 36

Tuesday, May 27, 2003

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of the failure of the Ministry to respond to written question No. Q-180 on the Order Paper referred to the Committee on May 15, 2003









Meeting No. 36

Tuesday, May 27, 2003

The Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 9:15 a.m. this day, in Room 371, West Block, the Chair, Bernard Patry, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Murray Calder, Aileen Carroll, Bill Casey, Stockwell Day, John Duncan, Hon. Art Eggleton, Mark Eyking, André Harvey, Francine Lalonde, Hon. Diane Marleau, Alexa McDonough, Deepak Obhrai, Bernard Patry, Karen Redman.

In attendance: From the Parliamentary Research Branch, Library of Parliament: James Lee and Marcus Pistor, Research Officers.

Pursuant to Standing Order 39(5), the Committee proceeded to the consideration of the failure of the Ministry to respond to written question No. Q-180 on the Order Paper referred to the Committee on May 15, 2003, which reads as follows:

"Q-180 – Mr. Duncan (Vancouver Island North) – In the last five years, what is the breakdown of Canada-Iraq trade; specifically, what Canadian companies have done and are doing business with the Iraqi government?"

After debate it was agreed, - That, the Ministry having tabled a response on May 16, 2003, the Committee adjourn consideration of the Order of Reference.

At 9:30 a.m. by unanimous consent the Committee proceeded to sit in camera.

The Committee proceeded to consider its future business.

It was agreed, - That in relation to Committee consideration of the Estimates for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2004, under Foreign Affairs and International Trade that the Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs be called to appear on May 29, 2003.

It was agreed, - That, pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee examine the content of the Estimates for the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2004 prior to the June 2003 adjournment and that the Minister of Foreign Affairs be invited to appear.

It was agreed, - That the Committee meet to review the recent travel to New York, Morocco, London and Paris, the first phase of the Committee's travel in relation to its study of Canada's relations with the Muslim countries.

Ordered, - That a plan and budget for the second phase of the Committee's travel in relation to its study of Canada's relation with Muslim countries be prepared.

It was agreed, - That the Committee consider the campaign in support of the United Nations Millennium

Development goals at a meeting on June 5 and that Eveline Herfkens, Executive Coordinator of the UN Millennium Campaign be invited to appear on June 5, 2003.

It was agreed, - That, further to the motion of February 6, 2003, concerning the annual appearance of the Ambassador for Disarmament, the Committee invite the Ambassador and representatives of the Canadian Network to Abolish Nuclear weapons to appear as soon as possible in June or September, 2003.

It was agreed, - That the Committee study the issue of Missile Defence and hold meetings with witnesses prior to the June adjournment.

It was agreed, - That if the restrictions on beef imports from Canada to certain countries are not lifted, the Committee meet prior to the June adjournment to consider the issue.

At 10:47 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Stephen Knowles

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Standing Committee on

FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Chair: Bernard Patry, Lib.

Meeting No. 37

Thursday, May 29, 2003

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

Consideration of the Main Estimates for 2003-2004: Votes 20, 25, L30 and L35 under the Canadian International Development Agency, referred to the Committee on February 20, 2003

Consideration of the Main Estimates for 2003-2004: Votes 1, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, L30, L35, 40, 45, 50 and 55 under Foreign Affairs and International Trade

APPEARING:

The Honourable Susan Whelan, Minister for International Cooperation

WITNESSES:

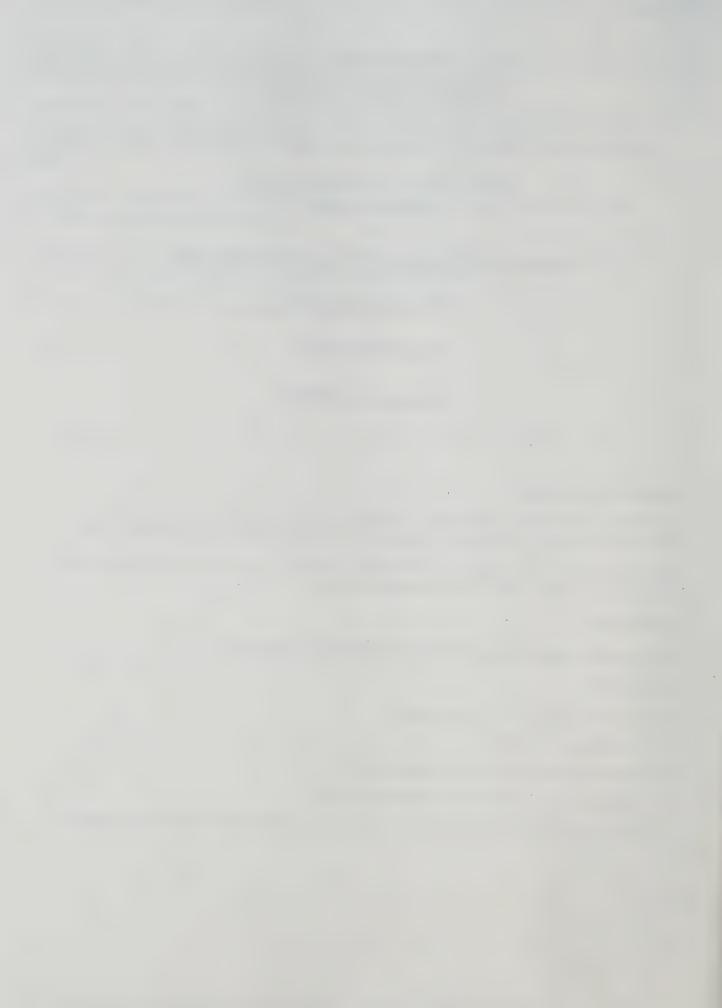
Canadian International Development Agency:

Paul Thibault, President.

Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade:

Gaëtan Lavertu, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs;

Kathryn McCallion, Assistant Deputy Minister, Corporate Services, Passport and Consular Affairs.



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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

ting No. 37

sday, May 29, 2003

Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 9:10 a.m. this day, in Room 371, West k, the Chair, Bernard Patry, presiding.

bers of the Committee present: Murray Calder, Aileen Carroll, Irwin Cotler, Hon. Art Eggleton, Mark Eyking, ré Harvey, Hon. Diane Marleau, Keith Martin, Deepak Obhrai, Bernard Patry.

ig Member present: Yves Rocheleau for Francine Lalonde.

tendance: From the Parliamentary Research Branch, Library of Parliament: James Lee and Marcus Pistor, earch Officers.

2aring: The Honourable Susan Whelan, Minister for International Cooperation.

esses: From the Canadian International Development Agency: Paul Thibault, President. From the Department of rign Affairs and International Trade: Gaëtan Lavertu, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs; Kathryn E. McCallion, stant Deputy Minister, Corporate Services, Passport and Consular Affairs; Jill Sinclair, Director General, national Security Bureau.

uant to Standing Order 81(4) the Committee resumed consideration of the Main Estimates for 2003-2004: Votes 25, L30 and L35 under the Canadian International Development Agency, referred to the Committee on February 2003.

Chair called Vote 20.

Minister made a statement and with Paul Thibault answered questions.

0:08 a.m., by unanimous consent Irwin Cotler moved, - That, the Committee

- in view of the worsening crisis in the Democratic Republic of the Congo and of compelling evidence presented recently to it, calls upon the Government of Canada to intensify its efforts to reach agreement in the United Nations and through other multilateral channels, to act immediately and forcefully to bring an end to the fighting in the Democratic Republic of the Congo, to start a massive humanitarian relief effort and to engage the commitment of the international community to play its part in achieving long-term stability and development in the region;
- further urges the Government to seriously consider contributing a significant Canadian Forces and civilian police contingent to a new United Nations security force in the Democratic Republic of the Congo, where Canada's expertise in peacekeeping and post-conflict reconstruction and credibility in the region allow the possibility of a substantial contribution toward resolving this crisis;
- notes the implications for Canada's involvement in other multilateral efforts but believes that the urgency and magnitude of this humanitarian crisis must make it a priority for the Government.

Debate arose.

By unanimous consent the motion was withdrawn and notice given for the next meeting of the Committee pursuant to the Order of the Committee of October 21, 2002 (24 hours notice).

Pursuant to Standing Order 39(5), the Committee proceeded to the consideration of the failure of the Ministry to respond to written question Q-197 on the Order Paper referred to the Committee on May 26, 2003, which reads as follows:

"Mr. Casson (Lethbridge) — With regard to the announcement on October 8, 2002 of the \$246.5 million aid package for the softwoo lumber industry: (a) what actual amounts have been given out as of February 28, 2003 and to whom or to what groups; (b) has Human Resources Development Canada (HRDC) kept track of how many employees are taking advantage of the enhanced program; (c) how much has it spent on the enhanced program; (d) is HRDC monitoring the success of the enhanced program and if so, by what criteria is success being measured; (e) has Industry Canada given out any money under the Softwood Industry and Community Adjustment Fund; (f) has Industry Canada received any suggestions for workable ideas for community development and if so, has it or will it be publishing these plans or ideas; (g) has Natural Resources developed a plan for dealing with the pine beetle-killed wood and for containing or eradicating the beetle; (h) has Natural Resources planned how it will create both a centre of excellence for pulp and paper research and a boreal forest research consortium; (i) will they be stand-alone institutions or be connected with an existing school or other institution; and (j) what will their mandate be and will this information be made public?"

After debate it was agreed, - That, the Ministry having tabled a response on May 27, 2003, the Committee adjourn consideration of the Order of Reference.

Pursuant to Standing Order 39(5), the Committee proceeded to the consideration of the failure of the Ministry to respond to written question Q-204 on the Order Paper referred to the Committee on May 26, 2003, which reads as follows:

"Mr. Rajotte (Edmonton Southwest) — With regard to border crossings between Canada and the United States since June 1, 2002: (a what submissions have been made to the government of the United States; (b) what forms did these submissions take – verbal or written or both; (c) what was on the agenda at any face to face meetings or conference calls; (d) what were the titles of any written submissions; (e) what were the dates of the meetings and/or written submissions; (f) what correspondence, if any, was sent directly to the President of the United States or, if not, to which departments and/or agencies of the United States government were the submissions made; (g) have there been any submissions specifically dedicated to the possibility of a second checkpoint; (h) have there been any submissions specifically dedicated to the proposed 24 hour advance notice for commercial trade; (i) has there been any discussion and/or memoranda within Canadian departments concerning the possibility of sending a trade team or special envoy to the United States with respect to border crossing, trade and/or trade corridors; (j) have Canadian departments received verbal or written submissions from Canadian industries concerning problems with the border, and if so, how many; and (k) have Canadian departments received verbal or written submissions from Canadian exporters concerning a possible decline in trade and/or exports with the United States?"

After debate it was agreed, - That, the Ministry having tabled a response on May 27, 2003, the Committee adjourn consideration of the Order of Reference.

At 10:16 a.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 10:35 a.m., the sitting resumed.

Pursuant to Standing Order 81(4), and the Order of the House of February 26, 2003, the Committee resumed consideration of the Main Estimates for 2003-2004: Votes 1, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, L30, L35, 40, 45, 50 and 55 under Foreign Affairs and International Trade.

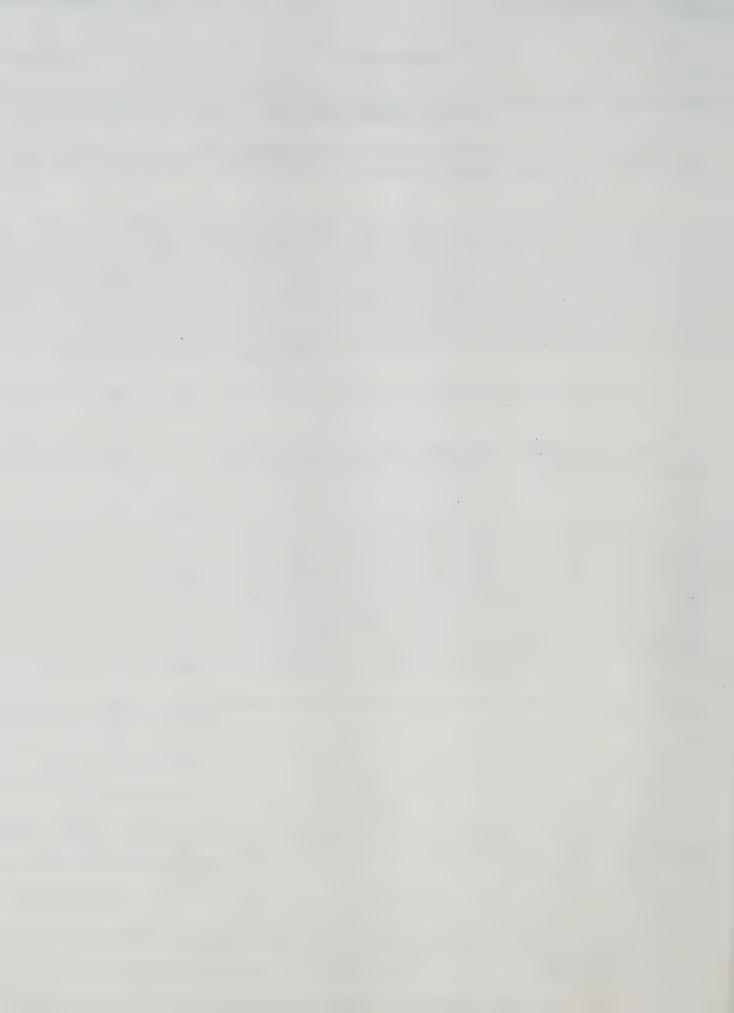
The Chair called Vote 1.

Gaëtan Lavertu made a statement and with Kathryn E. McCallion answered questions.

At 11:38 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Stephen Knowles



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Standing Committee on

FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Chair: Bernard Patry, Lib.

Meeting No. 38

Tuesday, June 3, 2003

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Consideration of issues relating to the 5th Ministerial Meeting of the World Trade Organization

WITNESSES:

Canadian Council for International Co-operation:

Gerry Barr, President.

Canadian Foodgrains Bank:

Stuart Clark, Senior Policy Advisor.

Canadian Labour Congress:

Pierre Laliberté, Principal Economist.

Development and Peace:

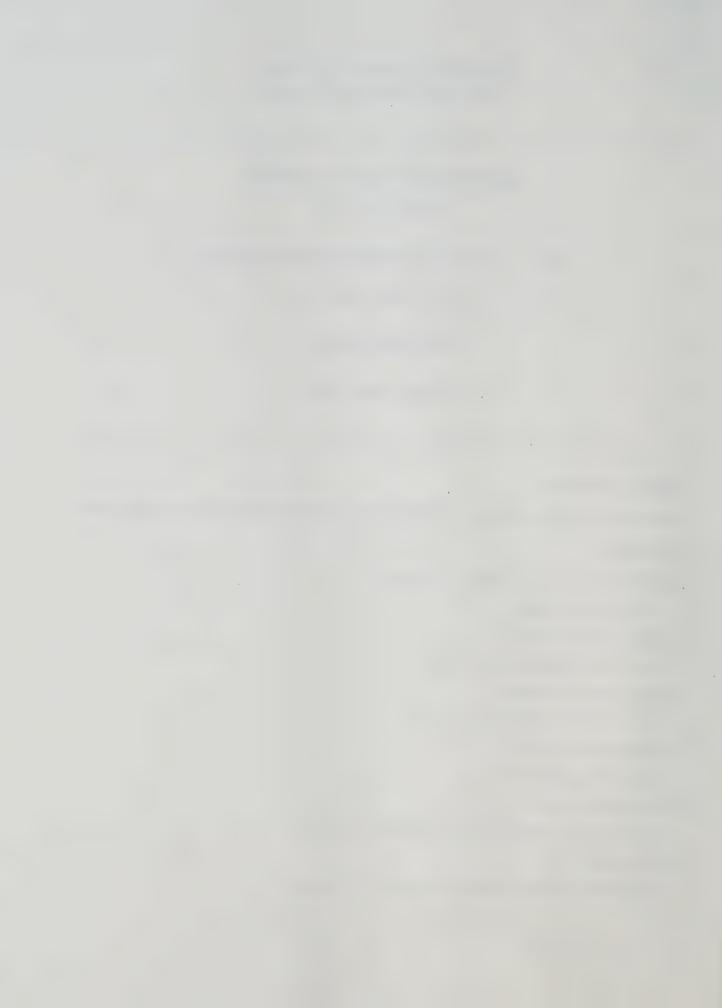
Mary Durran, Researcher.

Doctors Without Borders:

Carol Devine, Access to Essential Medicines Liaison.

Oxfam Canada:

Mark Fried, Communications and Advocacy Coordinator.







Meeting No. 38

Tuesday, June 3, 2003

The Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 9:08 a.m. this day, in Room 371, West Block, the Chair, Bernard Patry, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Aileen Carroll, John Duncan, Hon. Art Eggleton, Mark Eyking, John Harvard, André Harvey, Francine Lalonde, Hon. Diane Marleau, Keith Martin, Alexa McDonough, Bernard Patry, Karen Redman.

Acting Members present: Karen Kraft Sloan for Murray Calder and Yves Rocheleau for Stéphane Bergeron.

In attendance: From the Parliamentary Research Branch, Library of Parliament: James Lee and Marcus Pistor, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Canadian Council for International Co-operation: Gerry Barr, President. From the Development and Peace: Mary Durran, Researcher. From the Canadian Labour Congress: Pierre Laliberté, Principal Economist. From the Canadian Foodgrains Bank: Stuart Clark, Senior Policy Advisor. From Doctors Without Borders: Carol Devine, Access to Essential Medicines Liason. From Oxfam Canada: Mark Fried, Communications and Advocacy Coordinator.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee commenced consideration of issues relating to the 5th Ministerial Meeting of the World Trade Organization (See Minutes of Proceedings of April 10, 2003, Meeting No. 31).

Gerry Barr, Mary Durran, Pierre Laliberté and Stuart Clarke made statements and with the other witnesses answered questions.

At 10:28 a.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 10:37 a.m., the sitting resumed.

The Committee resumed consideration of the motion of Irwin Cotler (See Minutes of Proceedings of May 29, 2003) on the Democratic Republic of the Congo, which is as follows:

The Committee

- in view of the worsening crisis in the Democratic Republic of the Congo and of compelling evidence presented recently to it calls upon the Government of Canada to intensify its efforts to reach agreement in the United Nations and through other multilateral channels, to act immediately and forcefully to bring an end to the fighting in the Democratic Republic of the Congo, to start a massive humanitarian relief effort and to engage the commitment of the international community to play its part in achieving long-term stability and development in the

region;

- further urges the Government to seriously consider contributing a significant Canadian Forces and civilian police contingent to a new United Nations security force in the Democratic Republic of the Congo, where Canada's expertise in peacekeeping and post-conflict reconstruction and credibility in the region allow the possibility of a substantial contribution toward resolving this crisis;
- notes the implications for Canada's involvement in other multilateral efforts but believes that the urgency and magnitude of this humanitarian crisis must make it a priority for the Government.

After debate, the question was put on the motion and it was agreed to.

It was agreed, - That the resolution on the crisis in the Democratic Republic of the Congo be adopted as a Report of the Committee to the House.

It was agreed, - That the Chair or his designate present the Report to the House.

By unanimous consent at 11:09 a.m. the Committee proceeded to sit *in camera*, the Vice-Chair, The Honourable Diane Marleau presiding.

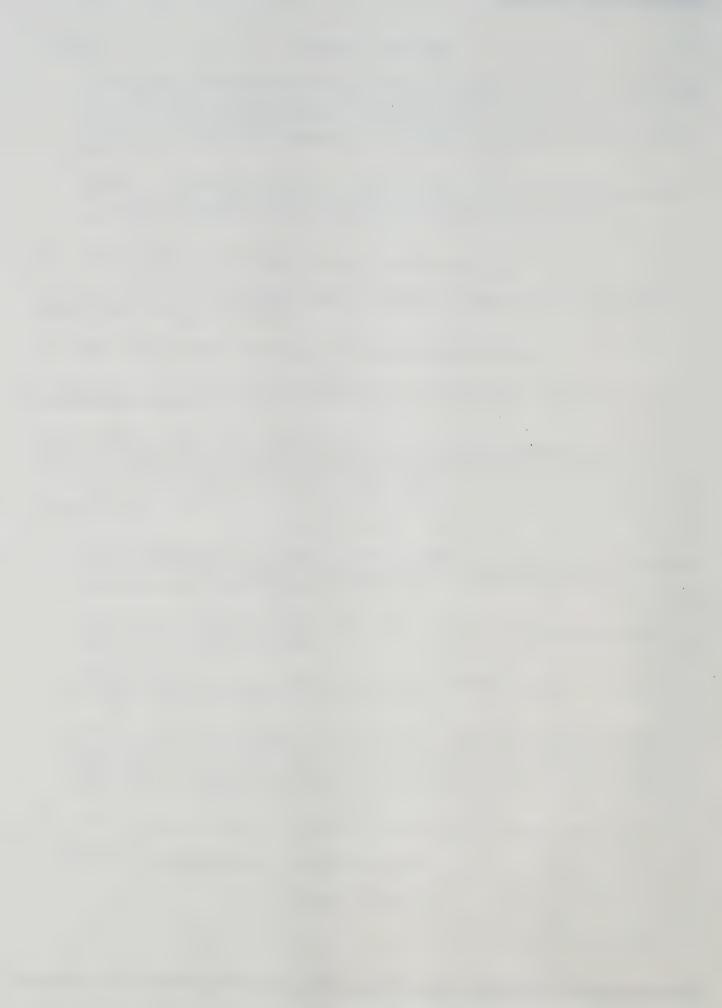
Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) and the Orders of October 28, 2002 and February 18, 2003, the Committee considered the draft report of the Sub-Committee on Human Rights and International Development on the humanitarian catastrophe in African states.

It was agreed,

- That the Committee adopt the report of the Sub-Committee on Human Rights and International Development, HIV/AIDS and the Humanitarian Catastrophe in Sub-Saharan Africa, (as amended), as a Report of the Committee to the House;
- That, pursuant to Standing Order 109, the Committee request that the Government table a comprehensive response to this report;
- That the Chair be authorized to make such typographical and editorial changes as may be necessary without changing the substance of the report;
- That, pursuant to Standing Order 108(1)(a), the Committee authorize the printing of brief dissenting and/or supplementary opinions as appendices to this report immediately after the signature of the Chair, that the opinions be sent to the Clerk of the Committee by electronic mail in both official languages on/before Friday June 6, 2003 at 12 noon.
- That the Chair or his designate be authorized to present the Report to the House.

At 11:58 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Stephen Knowles



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Standing Committee on

FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Chair: Bernard Patry, Lib.

Meeting No. 39

Thursday, June 5, 2003

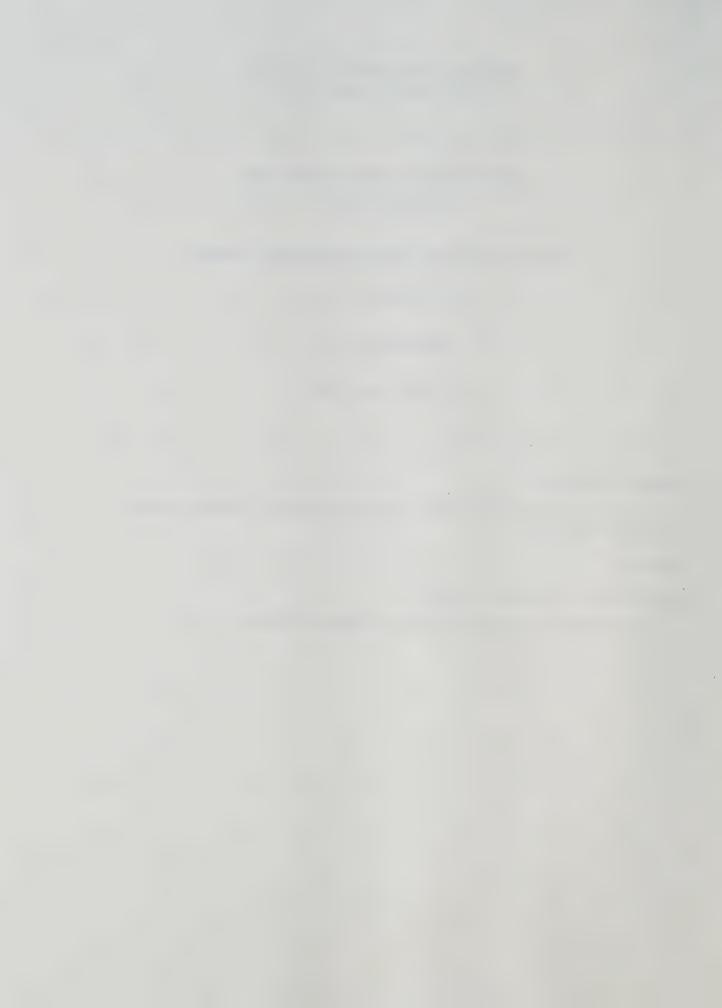
ORDER OF THE DAY:

Consideration of the Millennium Development Goals and the role of the United Nations Development Programme

WITNESS:

United Nations Development Programme:

Eveline Herfkens, Executive Coordinator, Millennium Campaign.





ting No. 39

rsday, June 5, 2003

Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 9:18 a.m. this day, in Room 371, West ck, the Chair, Bernard Patry, presiding.

nbers of the Committee present: Stéphane Bergeron, Aileen Carroll, Irwin Cotler, Stockwell Day, Mark Eyking, n Harvard, André Harvey, Francine Lalonde, Keith Martin, Deepak Obhrai, Bernard Patry, Karen Redman.

ng Member present: Paul Steckle for The Hon. Art Eggleton, Karen Kraft Sloan for The Hon. Diane Marleau.

ttendance: From the Parliamentary Research Branch, Library of Parliament: James Lee and Marcus Pistor, earch Officer.

nesses: From the United Nations Development Programme: Eveline Herfkens, Executive Coordinator, Millennium paign.

suant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of the Millenium Development Goals and the of the United Nations Development Programme (See Minutes of Proceedings of May 27, 2003, Meeting No. 30).

witness made a statement and answered questions.

0:44 a.m., the sitting was suspended.

0:53 a.m., the sitting resumed "in camera".

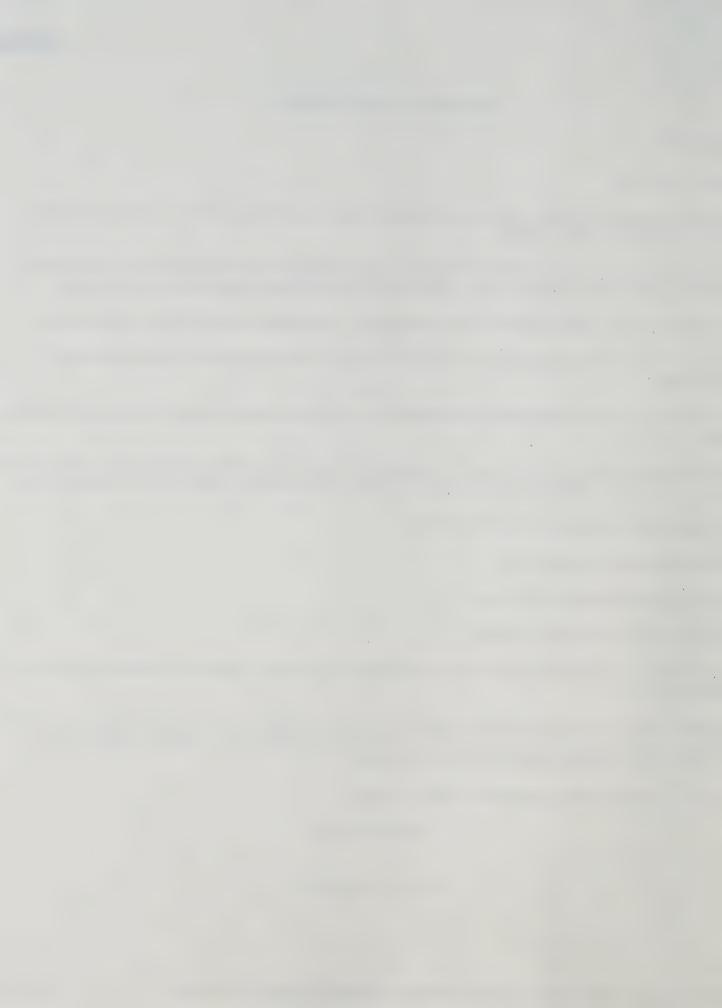
Committee discussed its future business.

Committee resumed consideration of relations with Muslim countries (See Minutes of Proceedings of February 6, 3, Meeting No. 16).

as agreed, - That in relation to its study on Canada's relations with Muslim countries, itineraries and a budget for el by Committee Members in several groups between October 12 and October 25, 2003 in the Middle East and th Asia be adopted and submitted to the Liaison Committee.

1:35 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Stephen Knowles



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Standing Committee on

FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Chair: Bernard Patry, Lib.

Meeting No. 40

Thursday, June 5, 2003

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of border issues since the signature of the December 2001 Smart Border Declaration

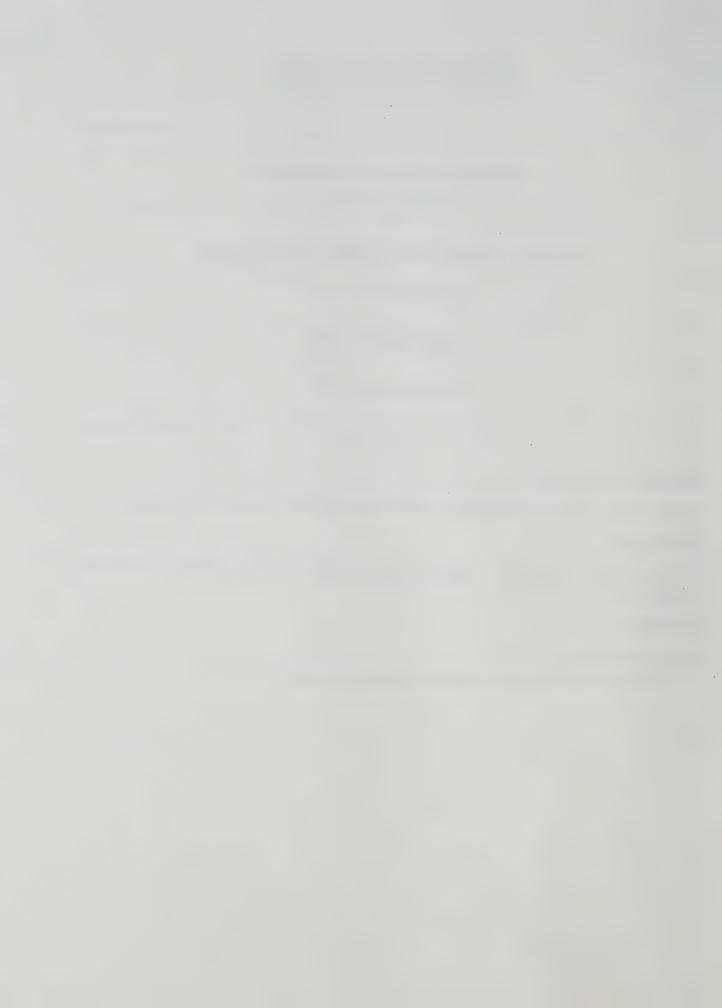
APPEARING:

The Honourable John Manley, Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Finance and Minister responsible for Border Issues

WITNESS:

Privy Council Office:

Graham Flack, Director of Operations, Borders Task Force.





eting No. 40

ırsday, June 5, 2003

e Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met in a televised session at 3:38 p.m. this day, in om 253-D, Centre Block, the Chair, Bernard Patry, presiding.

mbers of the Committee present: Murray Calder, Aileen Carroll, Irwin Cotler, Stockwell Day, John Duncan, John rvard, Francine Lalonde, Hon. Diane Marleau, Bernard Patry, Karen Redman.

ting Members present: Ovid Jackson for André Harvey, Rahim Jaffer for Keith Martin, Val Meredith for Deepak hrai, Claude Bachand for Stéphane Bergeron, Brian Masse for Alexa McDonough.

attendance: From the Parliamentary Research Branch, Library of Parliament: James Lee and Marcus Pistor, search Officers.

pearing: The Honourable John Manley, Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Finance and Minister responsible for rder Issues.

tnesses: From the Privy Council Office: Robert Fonberg, Deputy Secretary to the Cabinet (Operations); Graham ck, Director of Operations, Borders Task Force.

rsuant to Standing Order 108(2), and Recommendation 9 of the Committee's December 2002 report <u>Partners in rth America</u>: Advancing Canada's Relations with the <u>United States and Mexico</u>, the Committee commenced is ideration of border issues since the signature of the December 2001 Smart Border Declaration (See Minutes of Decedings of February 6, 2003, Meeting No. 16).

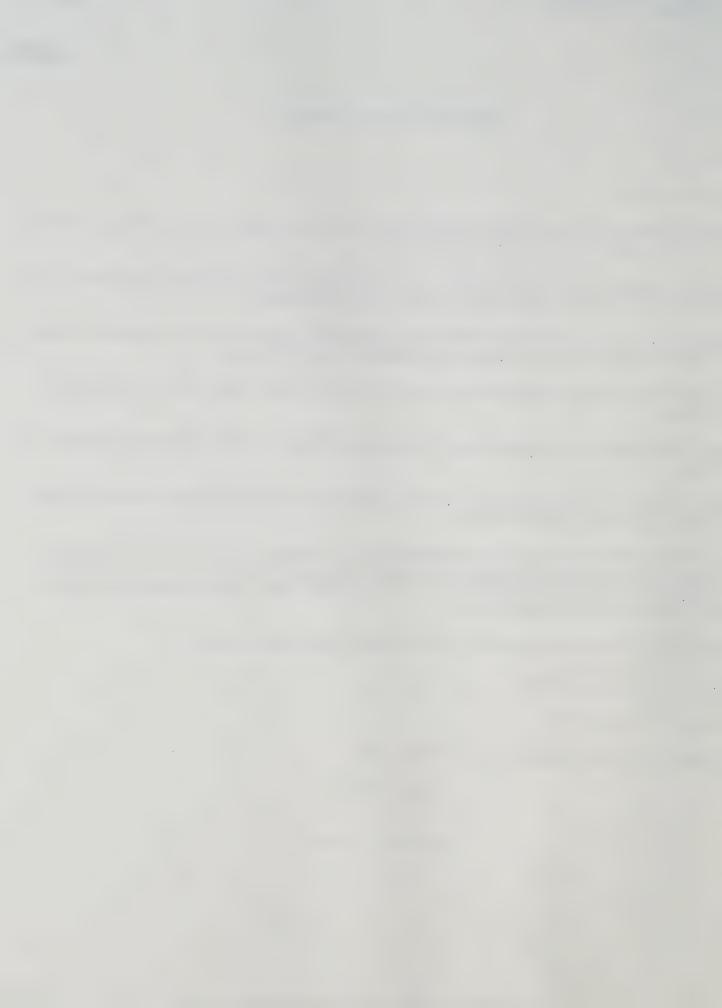
e Deputy Prime Minister made a statement and with Graham Flack answered questions.

4:13 p.m., the sitting was suspended.

4:32 p.m., the sitting resumed.

5:08 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Stephen Knowles



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Standing Committee on

FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Chair: Bernard Patry, Lib.

Meeting No. 41

Tuesday, June 10, 2003

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Consideration of missile defence issues

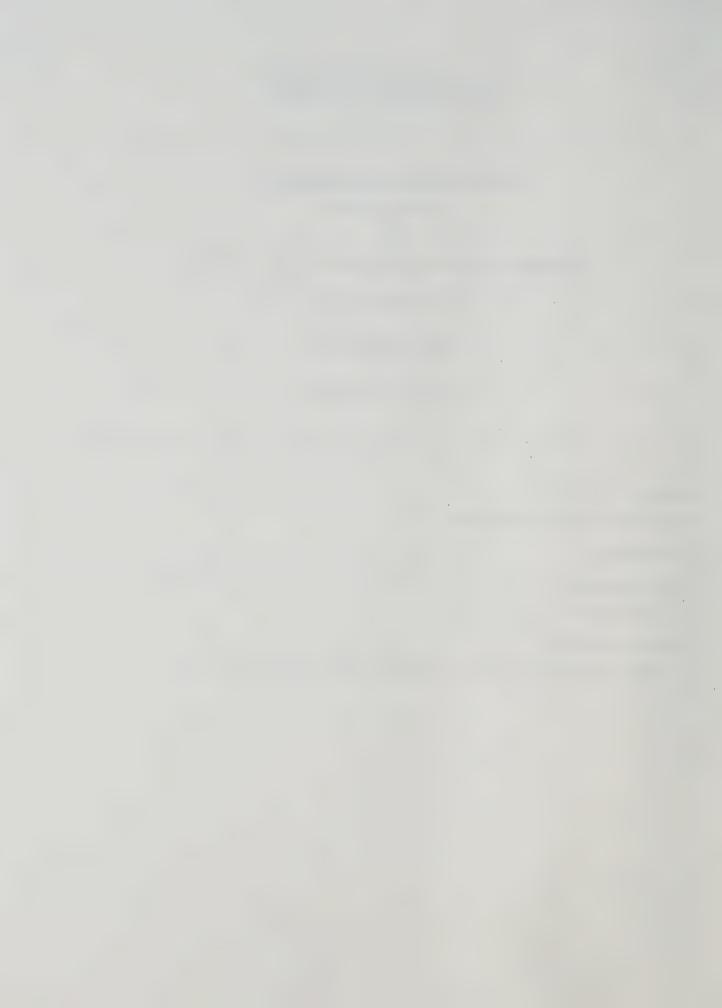
WITNESSES:

Project Ploughshares:

Ernie Regehr, Executive Director.

University of Manitoba:

James Fergusson, Deputy Director, Centre for Defence and Security Studies.





eting No. 41

esday, June 10, 2003

e Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met in a televised session at 9:12 a.m. this day, in om 253-D, Centre Block, the Chair, Bernard Patry, presiding.

Imbers of the Committee present: Murray Calder, Aileen Carroll, Irwin Cotler, John Duncan, Hon. Art Eggleton, ark Eyking, André Harvey, Francine Lalonde, Hon. Diane Marleau, Alexa McDonough, Deepak Obhrai, Bernard ry, Karen Redman.

ting Members present: Claude Bachand for Stéphane Bergeron, Leon Benoit for Stockwell Day, Cheryl Gallant for Duncan

sociate Members present: Karen Kraft Sloan

her Members present: John Godfrey and David Pratt.

attendance: From the Parliamentary Research Branch, Library of Parliament: James Lee and Marcus Pistor, search Officers.

tnesses: From Project Ploughshares: Ernie Regehr, Executive Director. From the University of Manitoba: James gusson, Deputy Director, Centre for Defence and Security Studies.

rsuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee commenced consideration of missile defence issues. (See Minutes of occeedings of May 27, 2003, Meeting No. 36).

e witnesses made statements and answered questions.

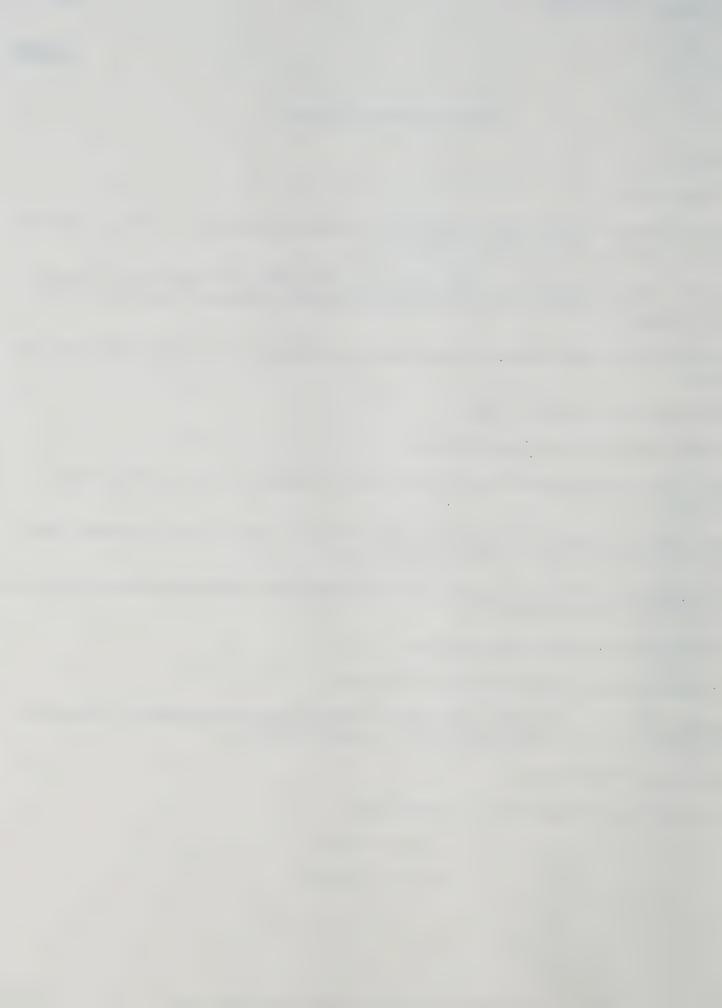
9:33 a.m. the Committee proceeded to discuss its future business.

was agreed, - That, following the tabling of the Committee report <u>HIV/AIDS</u> and the <u>Humanitarian Catastrophe in b-Saharan Africa</u> on June 12, 2003, a press conference be organized at 11:00 a.m.

e questioning of witnesses resumed.

10:58 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Stephen Knowles



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Standing Committee on

FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Chair: Bernard Patry, Lib.

Meeting No. 42

Wednesday, June 11, 2003

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of the content of the Estimates for the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2004

APPEARING:

The Honourable Bill Graham, Minister of Foreign Affairs

WITNESS:

Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade:

James Wright, Assistant Deputy Minister, Global and Security Policy.





eting No. 42

dnesday, June 11, 2003

e Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met in a televised session at 4:37 p.m. this day, in om 237-C, Centre Block, the Chair, Bernard Patry, presiding.

mbers of the Committee present: Stéphane Bergeron, Murray Calder, Aileen Carroll, Irwin Cotler, Stockwell Day, n Duncan, Hon. Art Eggleton, Mark Eyking, John Harvard, Francine Lalonde, Hon. Diane Marleau, Keith Martin, exa McDonough, Deepak Obhrai, Bernard Patry, Karen Redman.

ing Member present: Karen Kraft Sloan for André Harvey.

attendance: From the Parliamentary Research Branch, Library of Parliament: James Lee and Marcus Pistor, search Officers.

pearing: The Honourable Bill Graham, Minister of Foreign Affairs.

nesses: From the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade: Kathryn E. McCallion, Assistant Deputy nister, Corporate Services, Passport and Consular Affairs; James R. Wright, Assistant Deputy Minister, Global and curity Policy.

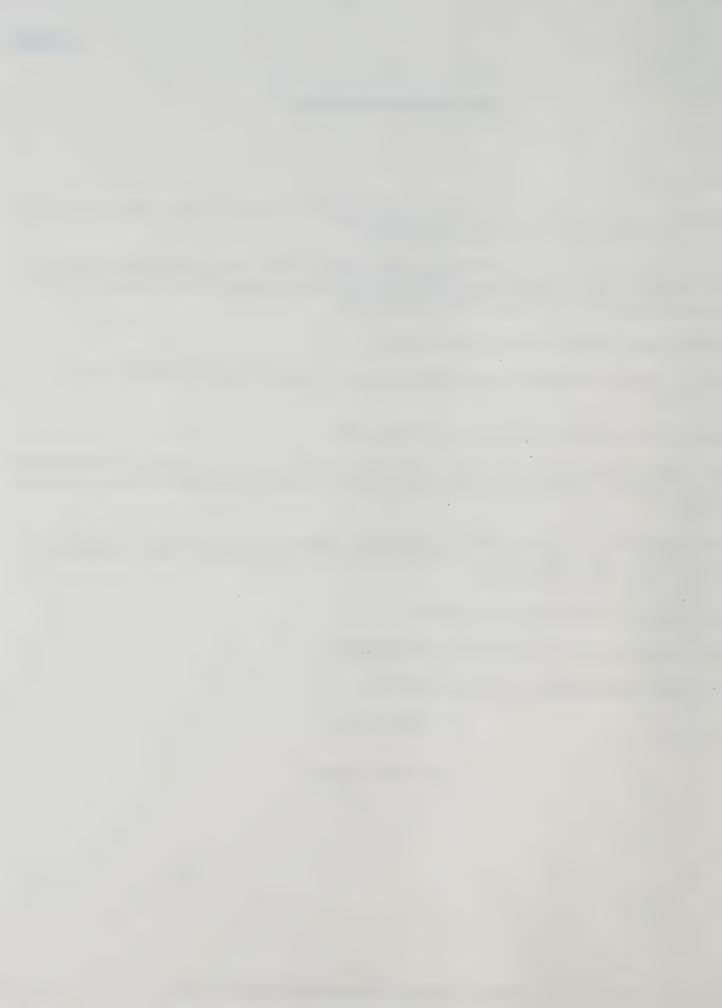
suant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee commenced consideration of the content of the Estimates for the partment of Foreign Affairs and International Trade for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2004. (See Minutes of paceedings of May 27, 2003, Meeting No. 36).

Minister made a statement and answered questions.

5:03 p.m., the Vice-Chair, the Hon. Diane Marleau took the Chair.

5:32 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Stephen Knowles



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Standing Committee on

FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Chair: Bernard Patry, Lib.

Meeting No. 43

Thursday, June 12, 2003

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Consideration of the issue of restrictions by certain countries on beef imports from Canada

WITNESSES:

Canadian Food Inspection Agency:

Paul Haddow, Executive Director, International Affairs.

Department of Agriculture and Agri-Food:

Andrew Marsland, Director General, International Markets Bureau.

Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade:

Claudio Valle, Director, Technical Barriers and Regulations.





eting No. 43

irsday, June 12, 2003

e Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 9:08 a.m. this day, in Room 371, West ck, the Chair, Bernard Patry, presiding.

mbers of the Committee present: Murray Calder, Stockwell Day, John Duncan, Hon. Art Eggleton, Mark Eyking, rnard Patry, Karen Redman.

ing Members present: Dick Proctor for Alexa McDonough, Pauline Picard for Francine Lalonde, Howard Hilstrom Deepak Obhrai.

attendance: From the Committees Directorate: Richard Rumas, Committee Clerk.

attendance: From the Parliamentary Research Library, Library of Parliament: James Lee and Marcus Pistor, search Officers.

nesses: From the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade: Claudio Valle, Director, Technical riers and Regulations. From the Department of Agriculture and Agri-Food: Andrew Marsland, Director General, emational Markets Bureau. From the Canadian Food Inspection Agency: Paul Haddow, Executive Director, emational Affaires.

suant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee commenced consideration of the issue of restrictions by certain ntries on beef imports from Canada. (See Minutes of Proceedings of May 27, 2003, Meeting No. 36).

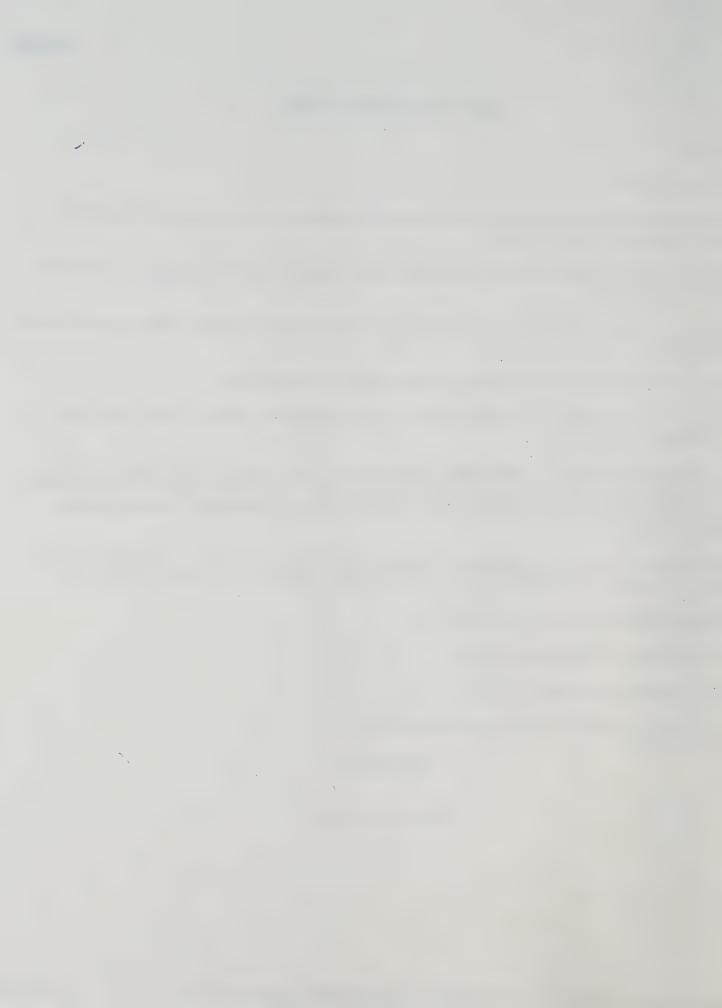
e witnesses made statements and answered questions.

9:13 a.m., the Hon. Art Eggleton took the Chair.

10:17 a.m., Bernard Patry took the Chair.

10:45 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Stephen Knowles



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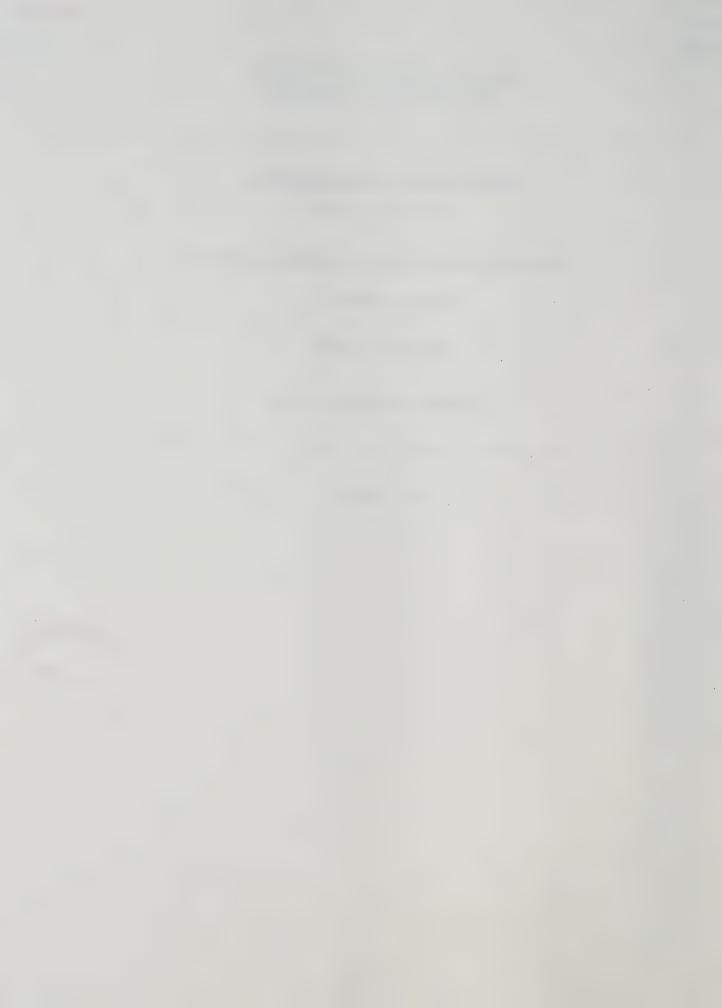
Chair: Bernard Patry, Lib.

Meeting No. 44

Thursday, September 18, 2003

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Meeting No. 44

Thursday, September 18, 2003

The Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met *in camera* at 9:18 a.m. this day, in Room 112-N Centre Block, the Chair, Bernard Patry, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Stéphane Bergeron, Murray Calder, Aileen Carroll, Bill Casey, Irwin Cotler, Stockwell Day, Art Eggleton, John Harvard, André Harvey, Diane Marleau, Keith Martin, Alexa McDonough, Deepak Obhrai, Bernard Patry and Karen Redman.

Acting Members present: Yves Rocheleau for Francine Lalonde.

In attendance: Library of Parliament: James Lee, Analyst; Gerald Schmitz, Principal.

The Committee proceeded to the consideration of matters related to Committee business.

The Committee considered the Third Report of the Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure which reads as follows:

THIRD REPORTOF THE SUBCOMMITTEE ON AGENDA AND PROCEDURE

Your Subcommittee met on Tuesday, September 16, 2003, and agreed to report as fallows: It was agreed, - That the Committee consider the case of Mr. Maher Arar, a Canadian citizen presently detained in Syria, and cases such as the death of Ms. Zahra Kazemi while in custody in Iran and that of Mr. William Sampson, recently released by the Saudi Arabian authorities, and that the Minister of Foreign Affairs and other responsible Ministers, if necessary, and appropriate officials be invited to appear before the Committee.

It was agreed, - That in the context of the study of relations with Muslim countries the Committee undertake the following:

- continue its hearings with experts, officials and interested organizations;
- hold a meeting with the President of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan on September 26, 2003;
- hold a meeting with the President and a delegation from the Advisory Council (Majlis Ahs Shura) of Saudi Arabia during the week of September 29, 2003;
- hold a meeting with Secretary General of the Arab League on October 1, 2003.

It was agreed, - That the Committee meet with the Speaker and a delegation from the Presidium of the Danish Parliament on September 18, 2003.

It was agreed, — That the report be amended, by inserting between the words "officials be" and "invited to appear" the word "urgently".

The report of the Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure, as amended, was concurred in

It was agreed, — That consideration of issues relating to the Rwanda genocide in Rwanda be referred to the Subcommittee on Human Rights and International Development.

At 9:49 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Stephen Knowles
Clerk of the Committee

2003/09/19 3:09 p.m.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Standing Committee on

FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Chair: Bernard Patry, Lib.

Meeting No. 45

Tuesday, September 23, 2003

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of relations with Muslim countries

WITNESSES:

Carleton University:

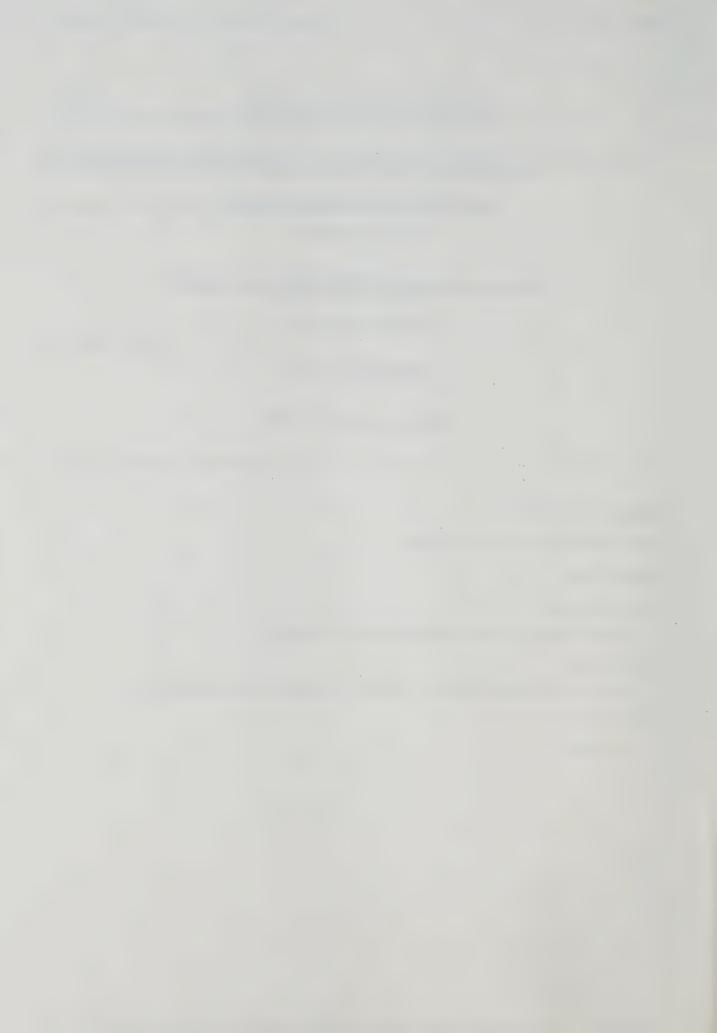
Farhang Rajaee, Professor, Political Science & Humanities.

York University:

David Dewitt, Professor, Director, Centre for International and Security Studies.

As Individual:

M.J. Akbar.







eeting No. 45

esday, September 23, 2003

e Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 11:05 a.m. this day, in Room 269 West ock, the Chair, Bernard Patry, presiding.

embers of the Committee present: Murray Calder, Aileen Carroll, Stockwell Day, Art Eggleton, Mark Eyking, André tryey, Diane Marleau, Keith Martin, Alexa McDonough and Bernard Patry.

ting Members present: Bernard Bigras for Francine Lalonde.

Attendance: Committees Directorate: Elizabeth Kingston, Committee Clerk, Library of Parliament: James Lee, nalyst; Gerald Schmitz, Principal.

itnesses: York University: David Dewitt, Professor of Political Science, Director, Centre for International and curity Studies. Carleton University: Farhang Rajaee, Professor of Political Science & Humanities. As Individual: M. Akbar, Journalist and Author.

ursuant to Standing Order 108(2), and the motion adopted by the Committee on February 6, 2003, the Committee sumed its study of relations with Muslim countries

ne witnesses made statements and answered questions.

t 12:37p.m. the Vice-Chair Diane Marleau took the Chair.

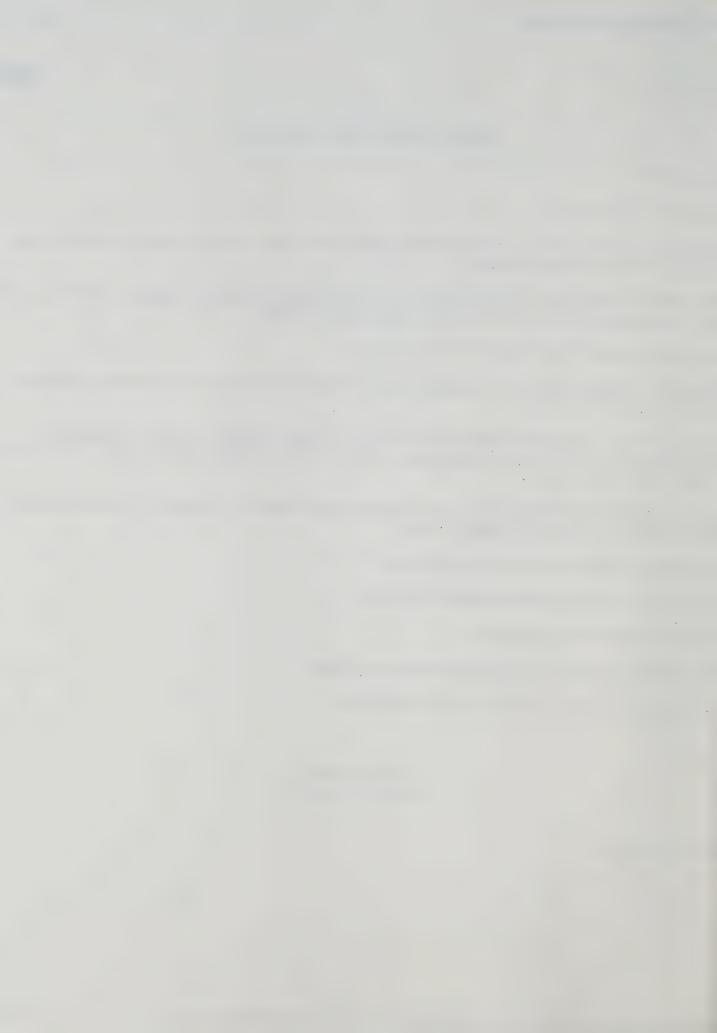
t 12:44 p.m. Bernard Patry took the Chair.

t 1:04 p.m.the Committee proceeded to discuss its future business.

t 1:05 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Stephen Knowles
Clerk of the Committee

003/09/24 12:03 p.m.



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Standing Committee on

FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Chair: Bernard Patry, Lib.

Meeting No. 46

Thursday, September 25, 2003

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Consideration of cases involving the detention of Canadian citizens in certain foreign countries

WITNESSES:

Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade:

John McNee, Assistant Deputy Minister, Africa and Middle East;

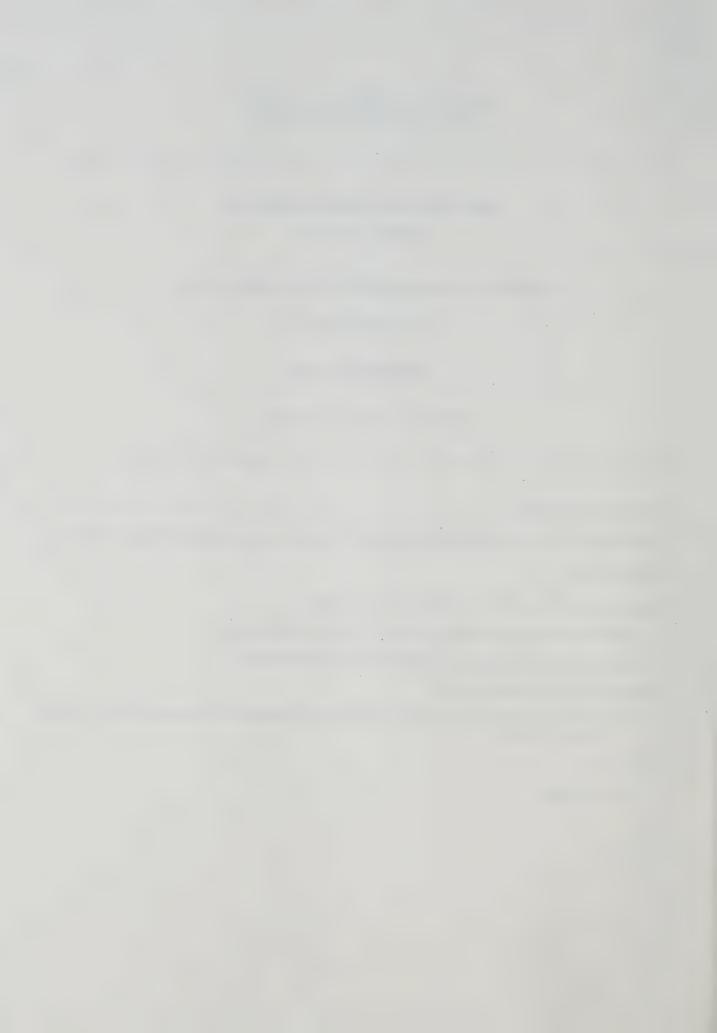
Konrad Sigurdson, Director General, Consular Affairs Bureau.

Department of the Solicitor General:

Richard Proulx, Assistant Commissioner, Criminal Intelligence Directorate, Royal Canadian Mounted Police.

As Individual:

Monia Mazigh.







Meeting No. 46

Thursday, September 25, 2003

The Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 11:05 a.m. this day, in Room 269 West Block, the chair, Bernard Patry, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Stéphane Bergeron, Murray Calder, Aileen Carroll, Bill Casey, Irwin Cotler, Stockwell Day, John Harvard, Diane Marleau, Alexa McDonough, Bernard Patry and Karen Redman.

Acting Members present: Marlene Catterall for Art Eggleton and Yves Rocheleau for Francine Lalonde.

In attendance: Committees Directorate: Elizabeth B. Kingston, Committee Clerk. Library of Parliament: James Lee, Analyst; Gerald Schmitz, Principal.

Witnesses: Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade: John McNee, Assistant Deputy Minister, Africa and Middle East; Konrad Sigurdson, Director General, Consular Affairs Bureau. Department of the Solicitor General: Richard Proulx, Assistant Commissioner, Criminal Intelligence Directorate, Royal Canadian Mounted Police. As Individual: Monia Mazigh. House of Commons: Irwin Cotler, M.P..

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee commenced its consideration of cases involving the detention of Canadian citizens in certain foreign countries.

The witnesses made statements and answered questions.

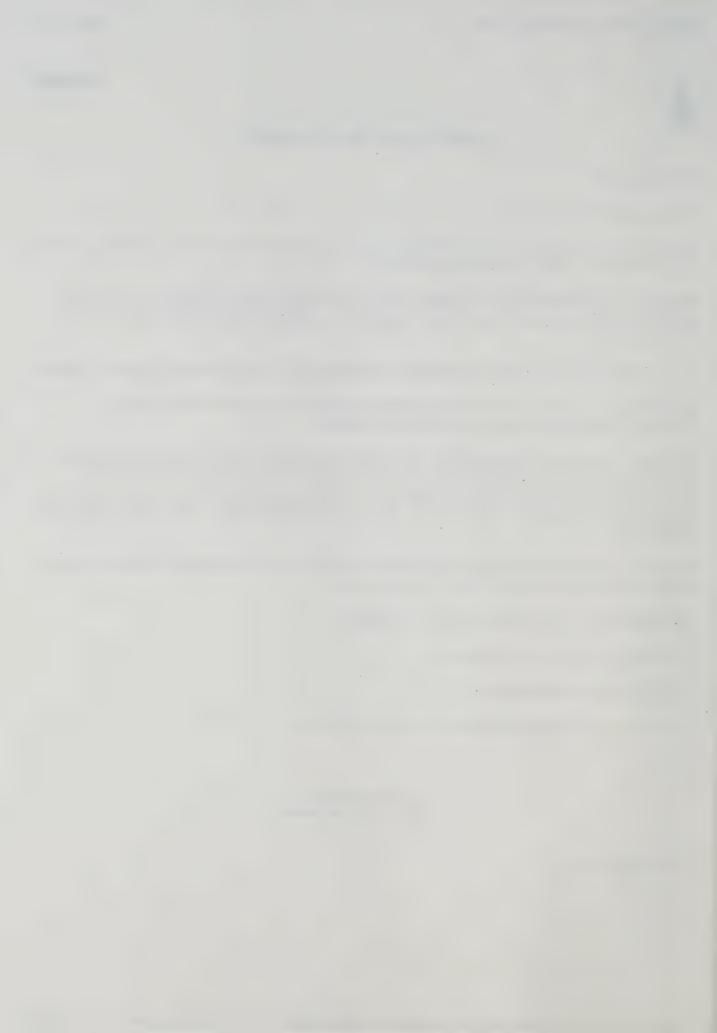
At 12:08 p.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 12:17 p.m., the sitting resumed.

At 1:17 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Stephen Knowles
Clerk of the Committee

2003/09/26 6:57 p.m.



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Standing Committee on

FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Chair: Bernard Patry, Lib.

Meeting No. 47

Tuesday, September 30, 2003

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

Election of Chair and Vice-Chairs

Study of relations with Muslim countries

WITNESSES:

McGill University:

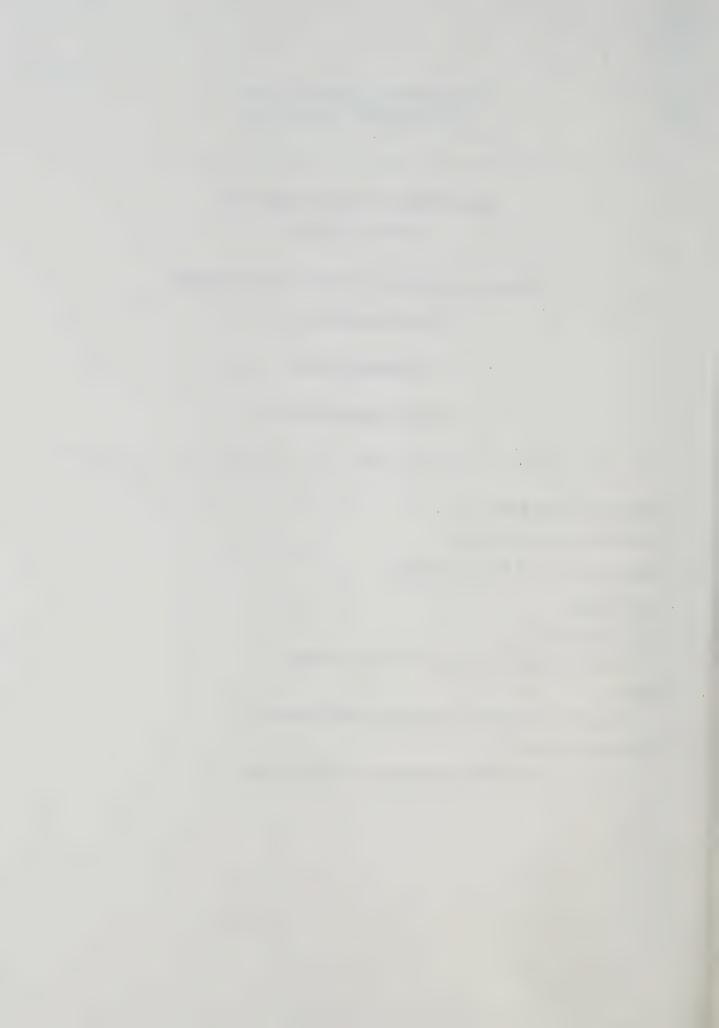
A. Üner Turgay, Director, Institute of Islamic Studies.

Senate:

Hon. Mobina Jaffer, Lib., Senator from British Columbia.

University of Calgary:

Tareq Y. Ismael, Professor, Department of Political Sciences.







Meeting No. 47

Tuesday, September 30, 2003

The Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 11:02 a.m. this day, in Room 269 West Block, for the purpose of electing a Chair, pursuant to Standing Order 106(1).

Members of the Committee present: Stéphane Bergeron, Murray Calder, Aileen Carroll, Irwin Cotler, Art Eggleton, Mark Eyking, John Harvard, André Harvey, Francine Lalonde, Alexa McDonough and Charlie Penson.

Acting Members present: Cheryl Gallant for Deepak Obhrai and Alan Tonks for Karen Redman.

In attendance: Committees Directorate: Angela Crandall, Committee Clerk; Elizabeth B. Kingston, Committee Clerk. Library of Parliament: James Lee, Analyst; Gerald Schmitz, Principal.

Witnesses: McGill University: A. Üner Turgay, Director, Institute of Islamic Studies. University of Calgary: Tareq Y. Ismael, Professor of Political Sciences. Senate: Hon. Mobina Jaffer, Senator.

The Clerk of the Committee presided over the election of a Chair.

On motion of André Harvey, it was agreed, — That Bernard Patry be elected Chair of the Committee.

On motion of John Harvard, it was agreed, — That Diane Marleau be elected as Government Vice-Chair of the Committee.

On motion of Charlie Penson, it was agreed, — That Stockwell Day be elected as Opposition Vice-Chair of the Committee.

Bernard Patry, duly elected Chair of the Committee, took the Chair.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), and the motion adopted by the Committee on February 6, 2003, the Committee resumed its study of relations with Muslim countries

The witnesses made statements and answered questions.

At 12:51 p.m. the Committee proceeded to discuss its future business.

At 1:04 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Stephen Knowles
Clerk of the Committee

2003/10/02 3:47 p.m.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Standing Committee on

FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Chair: Bernard Patry, Lib.

Meeting No. 48

Wednesday, October 1, 2003

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of relations with Muslim countries

WITNESS:

The Arab League:

Amre Moussa, Secretary-General.







Meeting No. 48

Wednesday, October 1, 2003

The Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 4:17 p.m. this day, in Room 308 West Block, the Chair, Bernard Patry, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Stéphane Bergeron, Murray Calder, Aileen Carroll, Bill Casey, Irwin Cotler, Stockwell Day, Art Eggleton, Mark Eyking, John Harvard, André Harvey, Francine Lalonde, Diane Marleau, Keith Martin, Bernard Patry and Karen Redman.

In attendance: Library of Parliament: Gerald Schmitz, Principal.

Invited: His Excellency Amre Moussa, Secretary-General of The Arab League and His Excellency Houssein Hassouna, Ambassador of The Arab League.

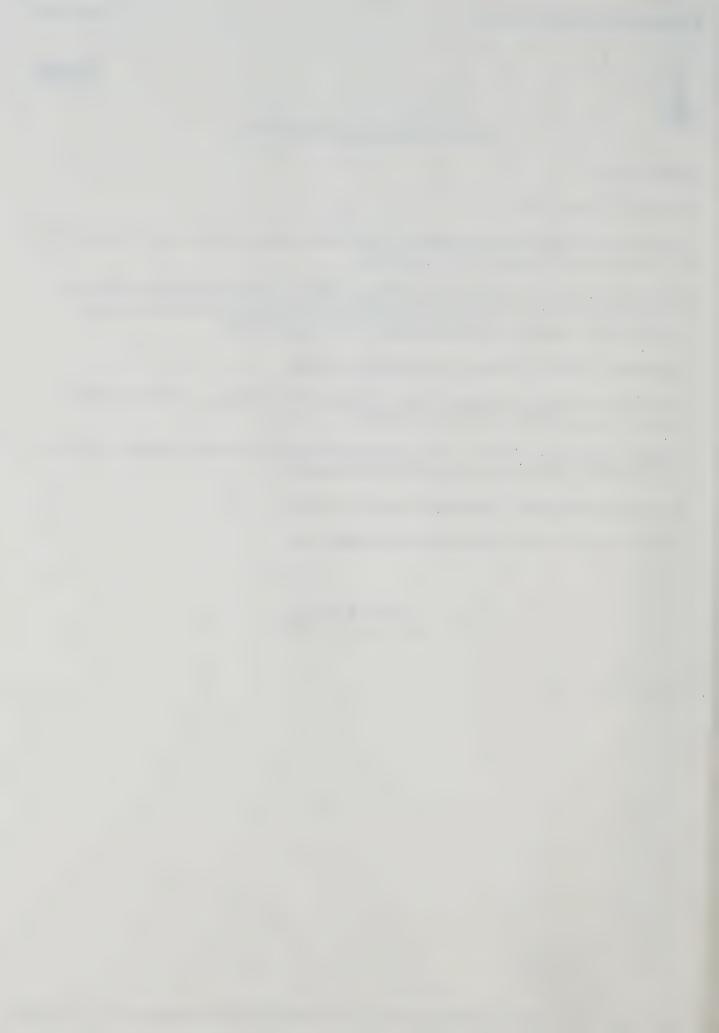
Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), and the motion adopted by the Committee on February 6, 2003, the Committee resumed its study of relations with Muslim countries

The Secretary-General made a statement and answered questions.

At 5:15 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Stephen Knowles
Clerk of the Committee

2003/10/03 11:08 a.m.



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Standing Committee on

FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Chair: Bernard Patry, Lib.

Meeting No. 49

Thursday, October 2, 2003

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of relations with Muslim countries

WITNESSES:

Carleton University:

Karim Karim, Associate Professor, School of Journalism and Communication.

South Asia Partnership Canada:

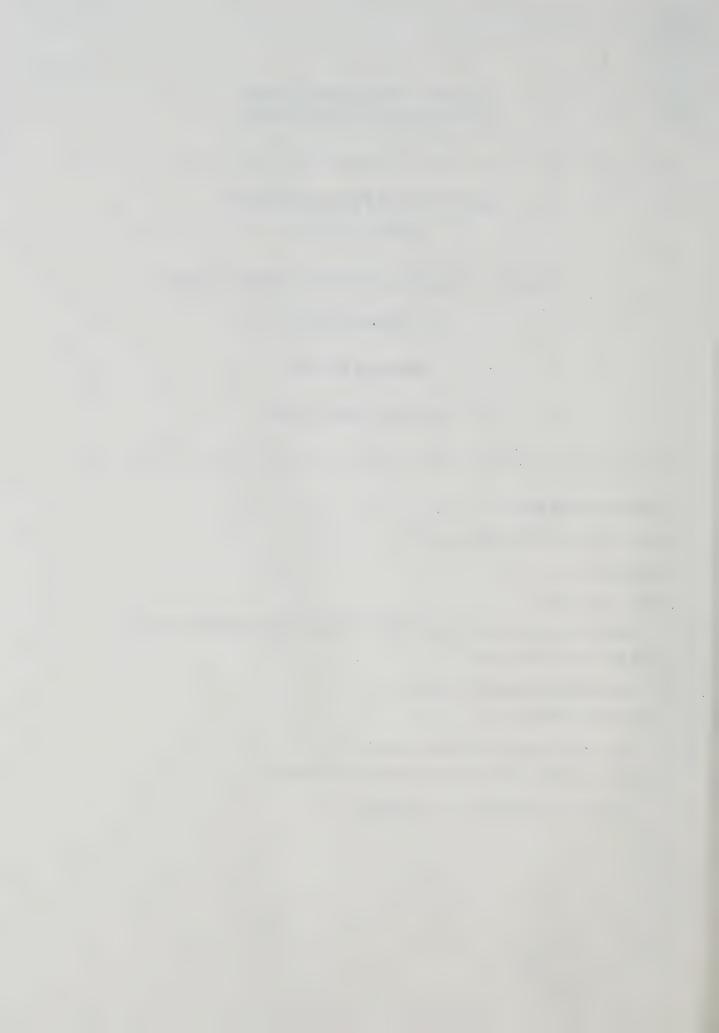
Ann Thomson, President of the Board.

"Université de Sherbrooke":

Sami Aoun, Professor of Political Science.

University of Toronto, Munk Centre for International Studies:

Michael Bell, Senior Fellow on Diplomacy.







Meeting No. 49

Thursday, October 2, 2003

The Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 11:05 a.m. this day, in Room 269 West Block, the Chair, Bernard Patry, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Stéphane Bergeron, Murray Calder, Aileen Carroll, Irwin Cotler, John Harvard, André Harvey, Francine Lalonde, Keith Martin, Alexa McDonough, Deepak Obhrai, Bernard Patry and Karen Redman.

In attendance: Library of Parliament: James Lee, Analyst; Gerald Schmitz, Principal.

Witnesses: Carleton University: Karim H. Karim, Professor of Journalism and Communication. South Asia Partnership Canada: Ann Thomson, President of the Board. University of Toronto, Munk Centre for International Studies: Michael Bell, Senior Fellow on Diplomacy. Université de Sherbrooke: Sami Aoun, Professor of Political Science.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), and the motion adopted by the Committee on February 6, 2003, the Committee resumed its study of relations with Muslim countries

The witnesses made statements.

At 12:05 p.m., the Committee observed one minute's silence to pay tribute to the Canadian soldiers killed and injured today in Afghanistan.

At 12:06 p.m. the Committee commenced questionning of witnesses.

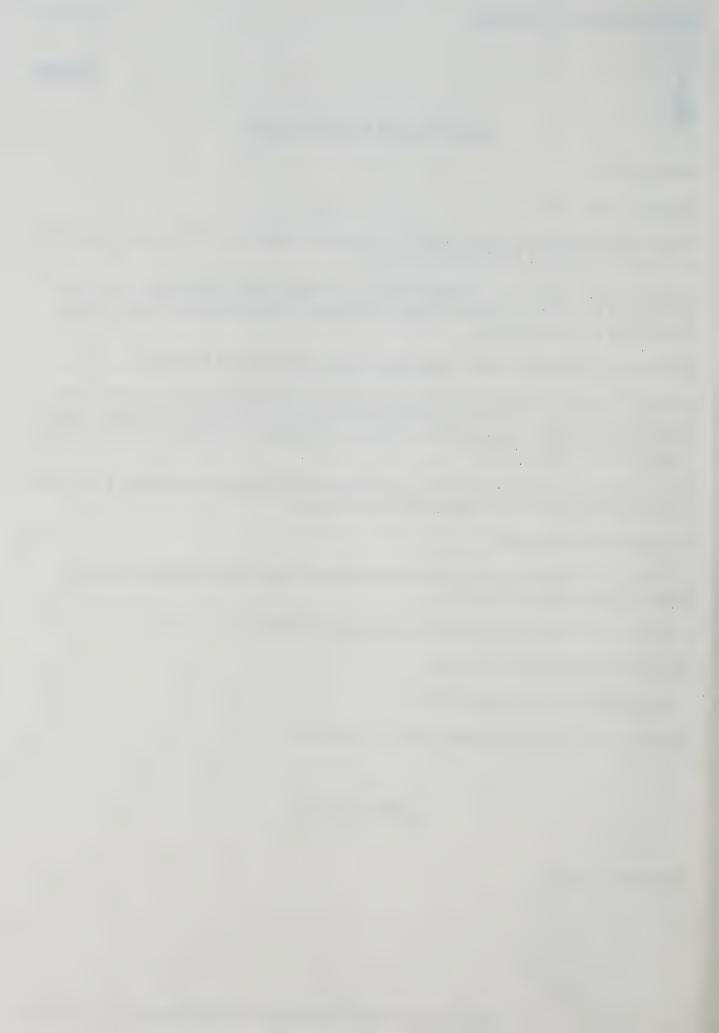
At 12:09 p.m. John Harvard took the Chair.

At 12:20 p.m. Bernard Patry took the Chair.

At 1:03 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Stephen Knowles Clerk of the Committee

2003/10/03 4:07 p.m.



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Standing Committee on

FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Chair: Bernard Patry, Lib.

Meeting No. 50

Tuesday, October 7, 2003

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of relations with Muslim countries

APPEARING:

Hon. Wayne Easter, Solicitor General of Canada

WITNESSES:

Canadian International Development Agency:

Paul Hunt, Acting Vice-President, Africa and Middle East Branch;

Hau Sing Tse, Vice-President, Asia Branch.

Department of the Solicitor General:

Garry Loeppky, Deputy Commissioner, Operations, Royal Canadian Mounted Police.







Meeting No. 50

Tuesday, October 7, 2003

The Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 11:03 a.m. this day, in Room 269 West Block, the Chair, Bernard Patry, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Stéphane Bergeron, Murray Calder, Aileen Carroll, Bill Casey, Irwin Cotler, Stockwell Day, Art Eggleton, John Harvard, Francine Lalonde, Diane Marleau, Keith Martin, Deepak Obhrai, Bernard Patry and Karen Redman.

Acting Members present: Marlene Catterall for André Harvey, Joe Clark for Bill Casey and Svend Robinson for Alexa McDonough.

In attendance: Committees Directorate: Elizabeth B. Kingston, Committee Clerk. Library of Parliament: James Lee, Analyst; Gerald Schmitz, Principal.

Appearing: Hon. Wayne Easter, Solicitor General of Canada.

Witnesses: Canadian International Development Agency: Hau Sing Tse, Vice-President, Asia Branch; Paul Hunt, Vice-President, Africa and Middle East Branch. Department of the Solicitor General: Garry Loeppky, Deputy Commissioner, Operations, Royal Canadian Mounted Police.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), and the motion adopted by the Committee on February 6, 2003, the Committee resumed its study of relations with Muslim countries

Hau Sing Tse and Paul Hunt made statements and answered questions.

At 11:20 a.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 11:45 a.m., the sitting resumed.

At 12:00 the Committee proceeded to discuss its future business.

It was agreed, — That the Committee authorize the Chair to organize a meeting or working meal with the Speaker and a delegation of the Portuguese Parliament during their official visit to Canada during the week of October 27, 2003.

At 12:01 p.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 12:06 p.m., the sitting resumed.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), and the motion adopted by the Committee on September 18, 2003, the Committee resumed its consideration of cases involving the detention of Canadian citizens in certain foreign countries.

The Minister made a statement and with Deputy Commissionner Loeppky, answered questions.

At 1:03 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Stephen Knowles Clerk of the Committee

2003/10/10 12:09 p.m.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Standing Committee on

FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Chair: Bernard Patry, Lib.

Meeting No. 51

Thursday, October 9, 2003

IN CAMERA







Meeting No. 51

Thursday, October 9, 2003

The Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met *in camera* at 11:13 a.m. this day, in Room 269 West Block, the Chair, Bernard Patry, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Stéphane Bergeron, Aileen Carroll, Bill Casey, Art Eggleton, André Harvey, Keith Martin, Alexa McDonough, Deepak Obhrai, Bernard Patry and Karen Redman.

In attendance: House of Commons: Elizabeth B. Kingston, Committee Clerk. Library of Parliament: James Lee, Analyst; Gerald Schmitz, Principal.

Witnesses: Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade: Mark Bailey, Director General, Middle East and North Africa Bureau; Don Bobiash, Director, Southeast Asia Division; Arif Lalani, Director, South Asia Division; John McNee, Assistant Deputy Minister, Africa and Middle East; Marta Moszczenska, Director, Baltic, Central European and Eastern Mediterranean Countries Division; David Mulroney, Assistant Deputy Minister, Asia-Pacific.

The Committee proceeded to discuss its future business.

It was agreed, — That, pursuant to its study of cases involving the detention of Canadian citizens in certain foreign countries, the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade invite United States Ambassador Paul Cellucci to appear before the Committee to address issues relating to the arrest and deportation of Canadian Citizen Maher Arar to Jordan, then Syria..

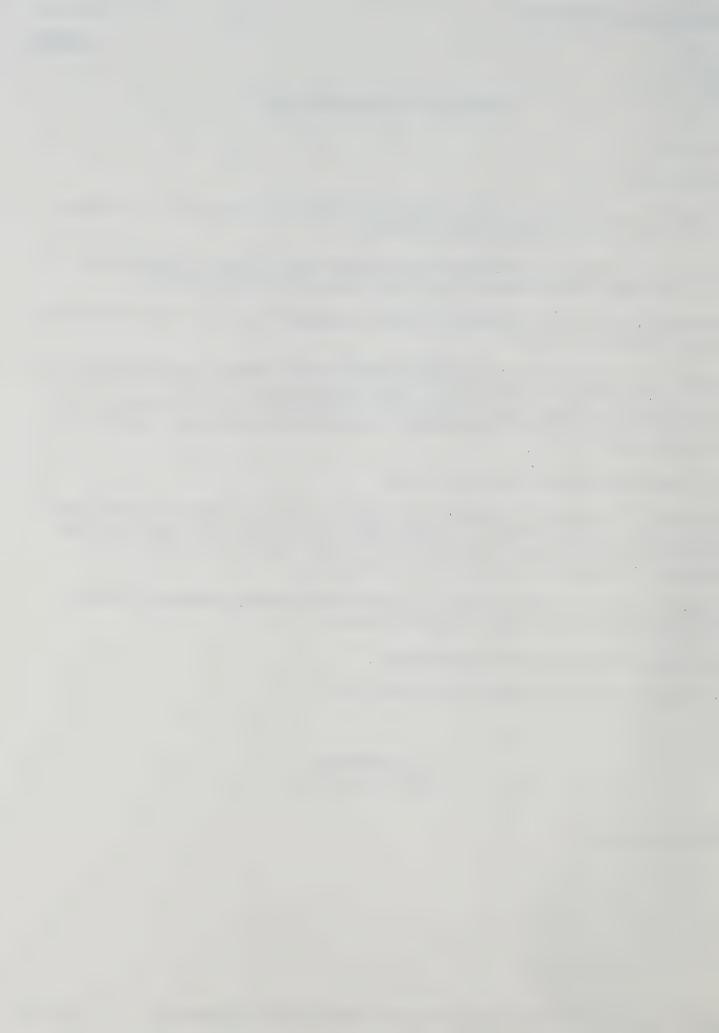
Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), and the motion adopted by the Committee on February 6, 2003, the Committee resumed its study of relations with Muslim countries

The witnesses made statements and answered questions.

At 12:33 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Stephen Knowles
Clerk of the Committee

2003/10/15 10:00 a.m.



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Standing Committee on

FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Chair: Bernard Patry, Lib.

Meeting No. 52

Tuesday, October 28, 2003

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of relations with Muslim countries

WITNESS:

University of Ankara (Turkey)):

Osman Tastan, Professor of Islamic Law.







Meeting No. 52

Tuesday, October 28, 2003

The Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 12:07 p.m. this day, in Room 237-C Centre Block, the Vice-Chair, Stockwell Day, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Stéphane Bergeron, Murray Calder, Aileen Carroll, Bill Casey, Stockwell Day, Alexa McDonough and Karen Redman.

In attendance: Library of Parliament: James Lee, Analyst; Gerald Schmitz, Principal.

Witnesses: University of Ankara (Turkey): Osman Tastan, Professor of Islamic Law.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), and the motion adopted by the Committee on February 6, 2003, the Committee resumed its study of relations with Muslim countries

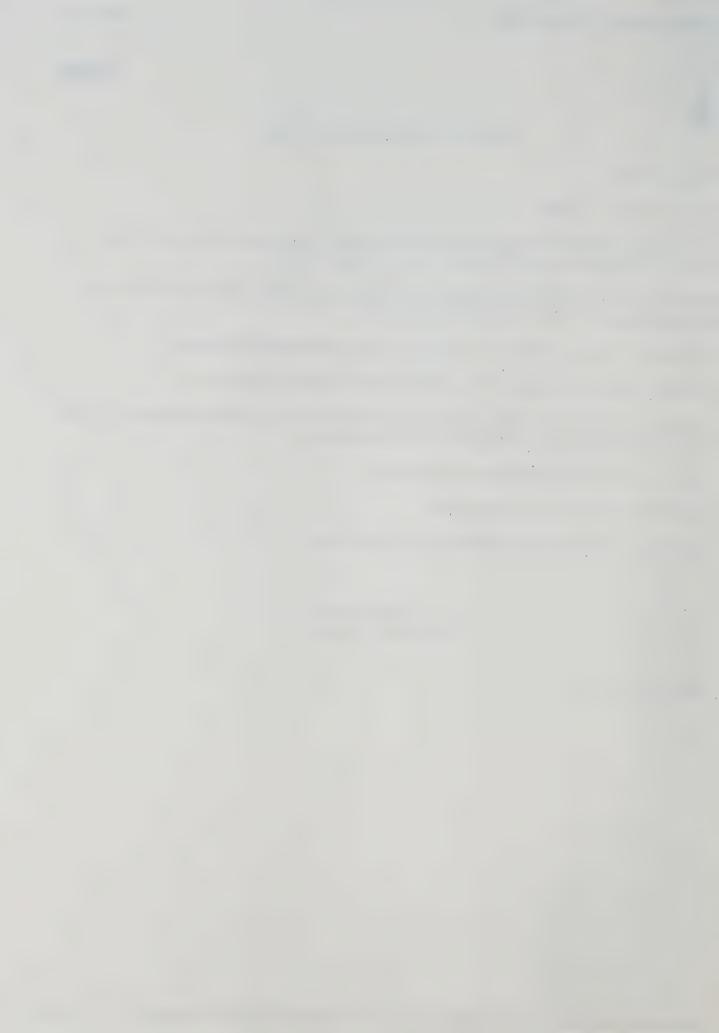
The witness made a statement and answered questions.

At 12:32 p.m. Aileen Carroll took the Chair.

At 1:03 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Stephen Knowles
Clerk of the Committee

2003/10/30 11:05 a.m.



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Standing Committee on

FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Chair: Bernard Patry, Lib.

Meeting No. 53

Thursday, October 30, 2003

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of relations with Muslim countries

WITNESSES:

Canadian Arab Federation:

Raja Khouri, National President.

Council on American-Islamic Relations Canada:

Sheema Khan, Chair.







Meeting No. 53

Thursday, October 30, 2003

The Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 11:17 a.m. this day, in Room 371 West Block, the Chair, Bernard Patry, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Murray Calder, Aileen Carroll, Stockwell Day, Art Eggleton, André Harvey, Francine Lalonde, Keith Martin, Alexa McDonough, Bernard Patry and Karen Redman.

In attendance: Library of Parliament: Marcus Pistor, Analyst.

Witnesses: Canadian Arab Federation: Raja Khouri, National President. Council on American-Islamic Relations - Canada: Sheema Khan, Chair.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), and the motion adopted by the Committee on February 6, 2003, the Committee resumed its study of relations with Muslim countries

The witnesses made statements and answered questions.

At 11:29 a.m. the Vice-Chair, Stockwell Day, took the Chair.

At 11:58 a.m. the President Bernard Patry took the Chair.

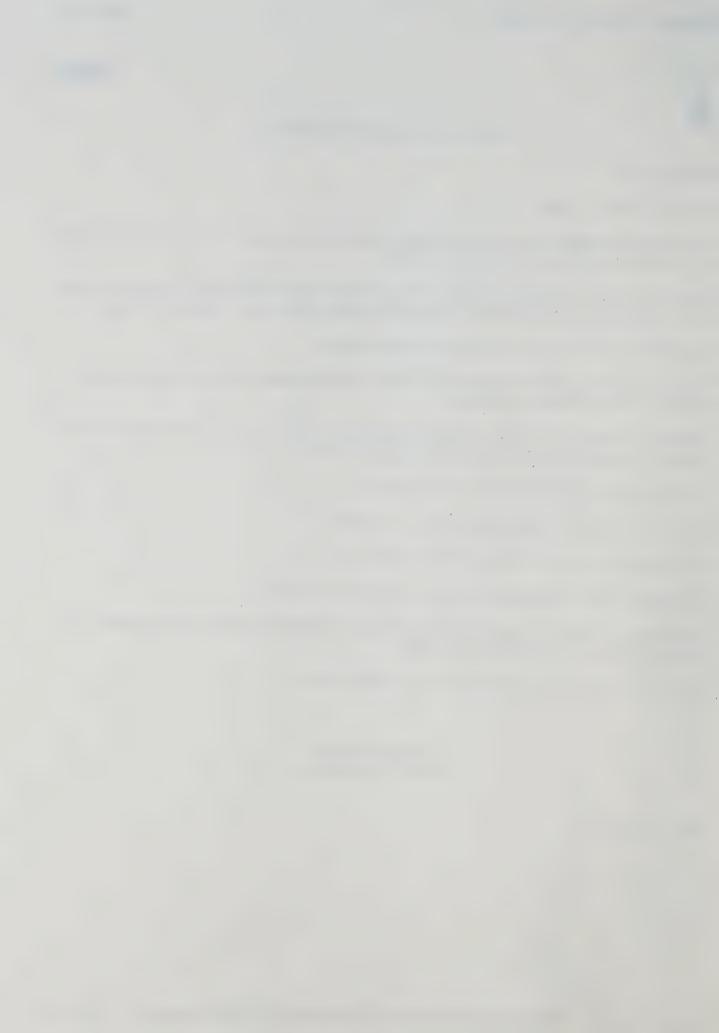
At 12:42 p. m. the Committee proceeded to discuss its future business.

It was agreed, — That the Committee hold a working meal with the Foreign Affairs Committee of the Brezilian Parliament during their visit to Canada.

At 12:45 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Stephen Knowles
Clerk of the Committee

2003/11/04 3:58 p.m.



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Standing Committee on

FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Chair: Bernard Patry, Lib.

Meeting No. 54

Tuesday, November 4, 2003

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of cases involving the detention of Canadian citizens in certain foreign countries

APPEARING:

Hon. Bill Graham, Minister of Foreign Affairs

WITNESS:

Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade:

Konrad Sigurdson, Director General, Consular Affairs Bureau.







Meeting No. 54

Tuesday, November 4, 2003

The Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met in a televised session at 9:06 a.m. this day, in Room 237-C Centre Block, the Chair, Bernard Patry, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Stéphane Bergeron, Aileen Carroll, Bill Casey, Irwin Cotler, Stockwell Day, Mark Eyking, John Harvard, Francine Lalonde, Keith Martin, Alexa McDonough, Bernard Patry and Karen Redman.

Acting Members present: Marlene Catterall for André Harvey.

In attendance: House of Commons: Elizabeth B. Kingston, Committee Clerk. Library of Parliament: James Lee, Analyst; Gerald Schmitz, Principal.

Appearing: Hon. Bill Graham, Minister of Foreign Affairs.

Witnesses: Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade: John McNee, Assistant Deputy Minister, Africa and Middle East; Konrad Sigurdson, Director General, Consular Affairs Bureau.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), and the motion adopted by the Committee on September 18, 2003, the Committee resumed its consideration of cases involving the detention of Canadian citizens in certain foreign countries.

The Minister made a statement and, with the other Konrad Sigurdson, answered questions.

At 10:02 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Stephen Knowles Clerk of the Committee

2003/11/05 9:05 a.m.



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Standing Committee on

FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Chair: Bernard Patry, Lib.

Meeting No. 55

Tuesday, November 4, 2003

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of cases involving the detention of Canadian citizens in certain foreign countries







Meeting No. 55

Tuesday, November 4, 2003

The Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 11:50 a.m. this day, in Room 269 West Block, the Chair, Bernard Patry, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Stéphane Bergeron, Aileen Carroll, Irwin Cotler, John Harvard, André Harvey, Francine Lalonde, Diane Marleau, Keith Martin, Alexa McDonough, Bernard Patry and Karen Redman.

Acting Members present: Gary Schellenberger for Bill Casey.

In attendance: House of Commons: Elizabeth B. Kingston, Committee Clerk. Library of Parliament: James Lee, Analyst; Gerald Schmitz, Principal.

The Committee proceeded to the consideration of matters related to Committee business.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), and the motion adopted by the Committee on September 18, 2003, the Committee resumed its consideration of cases involving the detention of Canadian citizens in certain foreign countries.

Alexa McDonough moved, — That the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade call on the Government of Canada to initiate an independent public enquiry into the Maher Arar case, to examine the role that government departments and agencies played in his deportation by the US and his subsequent incarceration in Syria.

Debate arose thereon.

On motion of Irwin Cotler, it was agreed, — That the motion be amended by replacing the words "to examine" with the words "including the examination of".

The Committee resumed consideration of the motion, as amended, of Alexa McDonough, — That the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade call on the Government of Canada to initiate an independent public enquiry into the Maher Arar case, including the examination of the role that government departments and agencies played in his deportation by the US and his subsequent incarceration in Syria

After debate, the question was put on the motion, as amended, and it was agreed to on the following recorded division: YEAS: Stéphane Bergeron, Irwin Cotler, Francine Lalonde, Diane Marleau, Keith Martin, Alexa McDonough, Karen Redman — 7; NAYS: Aileen Carroll, John Harvard, André Harvey — 3.

On motion of Alexa McDonough, it was agreed, — That the motion be adopted as a report of the Committee and that the Chair present the report to the House.

At 12:35 p.m., the Committee proceeded to sit in camera.

The Committee discussed its future business.

It was agreed, — That the Committee hold a working meal to exchange views and experiences on the travel and hearings, related to the study on relations with Muslim countries.

At 12:45 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Stephen Knowles Clerk of the Committee

2003/11/06 2:29 p.m.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Standing Committee on

FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Chair: Bernard Patry, Lib.

Meeting No. 56

Wednesday, November 5, 2003

ORDER OF THE DAY:

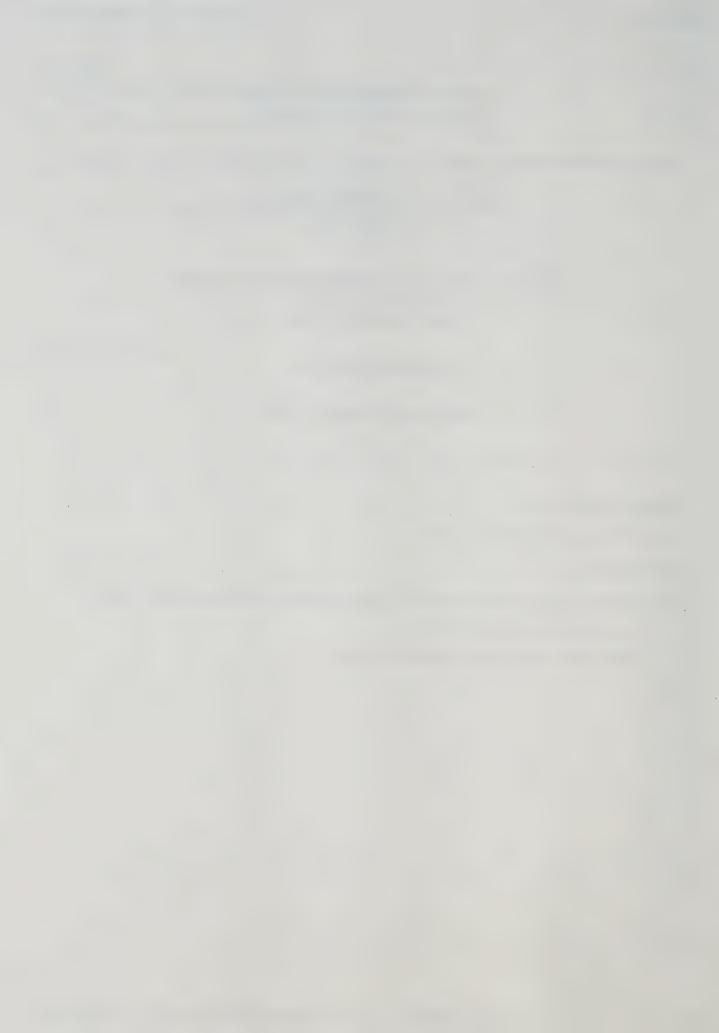
Study of relations with Muslim countries

WITNESSES:

United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA):

Peter Hansen, Commissioner General;

Maher Nasser, Chief, Liaison Office (New York).







Meeting No. 56

Wednesday, November 5, 2003

The Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 3:53 p.m. this day, in Room 371 West Block, the Chair, Bernard Patry, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Aileen Carroll, Irwin Cotler, Stockwell Day, Art Eggleton, John Harvard, André Harvey, Diane Marleau, Keith Martin, Alexa McDonough and Bernard Patry.

Acting Members present: Yves Rocheleau for Francine Lalonde.

In attendance: Library of Parliament: Gerald Schmitz, Principal.

Witnesses: United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestines Refugees in the Near East: Peter Hansen, Commissioner General; Maher Nasser, Chief, Liaison Office (New York).

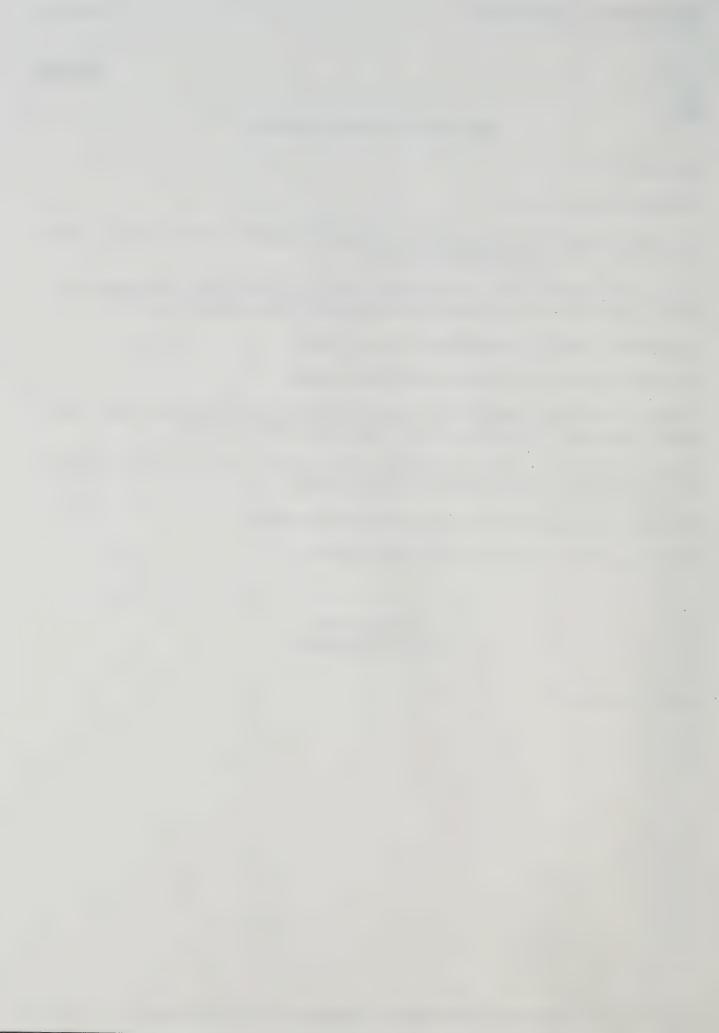
Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), and the motion adopted by the Committee on February 6, 2003, the Committee resumed its study of relations with Muslim countries

The Commissioner General made a statement and answered questions.

At 4:51 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Stephen Knowles
Clerk of the Committee

2003/11/06 2:30 p.m.



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Standing Committee on

FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Chair: Bernard Patry, Lib.

Meeting No. 57

Thursday, November 6, 2003

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of cases involving the detention of Canadian citizens in certain foreign countries

WITNESSES:

As Individual:

James Sampson;

William Sampson.







Meeting No. 57

Thursday, November 6, 2003

The Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met in a televised session at 9:02 a.m. this day, in Room 237-C Centre Block, the Chair, Bernard Patry, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Stéphane Bergeron, Murray Calder, Aileen Carroll, Irwin Cotler, Stockwell Day, Art Eggleton, Mark Eyking, John Harvard, André Harvey, Francine Lalonde, Diane Marleau, Keith Martin, Alexa McDonough, Deepak Obhrai, Bernard Patry and Karen Redman.

Acting Members present: Greg Thompson for Bill Casey.

Associate Members present: Gerald Keddy.

Other Members present: Dan McTeague.

In attendance: House of Commons: Elizabeth B. Kingston, Committee Clerk. Library of Parliament: James Lee, Analyst; Gerald Schmitz, Principal; Peter Berg, Analyst; Michael Holden, Analyst.

Witnesses: As Individual: William Sampson; James Sampson.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), and the motion adopted by the Committee on September 18, 2003, the Committee resumed its consideration of cases involving the detention of Canadian citizens in certain foreign countries.

William Sampson made statement and with James Sampson answered questions.

At 10:06 a.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 10:19 a.m., the sitting resumed.

The Committee proceeded to the consideration of matters related to Committee business.

Mark Eyking presented the First Report of the Subcommittee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment entitled: Reinvigorating Economic Relations Between Canada and Asia-Pacific.

It was agreed, -

- That the first report of the Subcommittee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Inveatment be adopted as a Report to the House and that the Chair or his/her designate present it to the House.
- That, pursuant to Standing Order 109, the Committee request that the Government table a comprehensive response to this report.

- That the Chair be authorised to make such typographical and editorial changes as may be necessary without changing the substance of the report.
- That, pursuant to Standing Order 108(1)(a), the Committee authorize the printing of brief dissenting and/or supplementary opinions as appendices to this report immediately after the signature of the Chair, that the opinions be sent to the Clerk of the Committee by electronic mail in both official languages on/before 8:00 p.m. Thursday November 6, 2003.

Art Eggleton moved, -

That the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade,

Concerned about the ongoing tensions along the Eritrea-Ethiopian Border which jeopardize the tenuous peace reached with the signing of the Comprehensive Peace Agreement on December 12, 2000 in Algiers;

Welcoming the recommendations of the Eritrea-Ethiopia Boundary Commission, created by Article 4.2 of the Algiers Agreement, to demarcate the disputed border between the two countries;

Mindful that following Article 4.5 of the Algiers Agreement, the recommendations of the Eritrea-Ethiopia Boundary Commission are binding on both parties of the conflict and are final;

Accepting the April 13, 2002 decision of the Eritrea-Ethiopia Boundary Commission to grant the disputed town of Badme to Eritrea;

Aware of the controversial nature of the Badme decision and the catalyst role of this settlement in the initiation of hostilities between Ethiopia and Eritrea;

Alarmed over Ethiopian failure to fully comply with, and accept, the Eritrea-Ethiopia Boundary Commission's recommendations, especially with regards to the town of Badme;

Troubled by the findings of the United Nations Secretary-General on Ethiopia and Eritrea, in the September 4, 2003 Progress Report, that the number of border incidents in Sector Centre is increasing, including the growth in the numbers of Ethiopian herdsmen and livestock present in the Zone on the daily basis;

Disturbed by the September 5, 2003 report of the United Nations Secretary-General with regards to the pointing of weapons by Ethiopian militia at United Nations Mission in Ethiopia and Eritrea (UNMEE) patrols on August 5 and the violation of the Agreement on Cessation of Hostilities in the Drum Drum Stream area of the Zone by 102 personnel from the Ethiopian Armed Forces on August 9-11, who refused to leave the area despite UNMEE protests;

Appreciative of the leadership role that Canada has played in the United Nations Mission in Ethiopia and Eritrea (UNMEE), including the deployment of 450 Canadian peacekeepers to the region at the cessation of hostilities;

Calls on the Government of Canada to increase the pressure on the Government of Ethiopia to accept, in full, the recommendations of the Eritrea-Ethiopia Boundary Commission, including the decision on the town of Badme,

Proposes that the Government of Canada forcefully indicate to the Government of Ethiopia that our future cooperation, would heavily depend on Ethiopia's acquiescence to the recommendations of the Eritrea-Ethiopia Boundary Commission;

Suggests that the Government of Canada offer incentives, in terms of developmental aid or/and other assistance to the Governments of Ethiopia and Eritrea, if they live up to their obligations under the Comprehensive Peace Agreement signed in Algiers, especially with regards to the Eritrea-Ethiopia Boundary Commission provisions.

Debate arose thereon.

On motion of Irwin Cotler, it was agreed, — That the motion be amended by deleting the words ", including development assistance,".

The question was put on the motion, as amended, and it was agreed to, by a show of hands: YEAS: 6; NAYS: 1.

It was agreed, — That the motion be adopted as a Report of the Committee and that the Chair or his designate present it to the House.

Irwin Cotler moved, —

That the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade,

Concerned that Dr. Wang Bingzhang, founder of the China Democracy movement, has been sentenced to life imprisonment in China;

Aware that the United Nations Working Group on Arbitrary Detention has determined that the charges are without foundation, that they are in violation of international law and that he has been denied the right to a fair trial;

Noting that Dr. Wang Bingzhang has a close connection to Canada - he is a doctoral graduate of McGill University in medecine and his parents reside in British Columbia, his children in Quebec and his siblings in Ontario;

Calls upon the Chinese Government to release Dr. Wang Bingzhang from prison, and permit him to be reunited with his family and colleagues.

After debate, the question was put on the motion and it was agreed to, by a show of hands: YEAS: 6; NAYS: 3.

It was agreed, — That the motion be adopted as a Report of the Committee and that the Chair or his designate present it to the House.

Francine Lalonde moved, — That the Committee recommend to the government the Action Plan submitted by Stephan Hachemi and a coalition of 19 human rights defence organizations in order to insure that justice be rendered in the case of the assassination of Mrs. Zhara Kazemi, Montreal photojournalist and Canadian citizen..

Debate arose thereon.

By unanimous consent, it was agreed, — That the debate be now adjourned.

Keith Martin moved, — That in the opinion of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade, the Canadian Government should make all efforts to indict Zimbabwe's President, Robert Mugabe, for crimes against humanity.

Debate arose thereon.

By unanimous consent, it was agreed, — That the debate be now adjourned.

At 11:02 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Stephen Knowles
Clerk of the Committee

2003/11/13 2:20 p.m.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Standing Committee on

FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Chair: Bernard Patry, Lib.

Meeting No. 58

Thursday, November 6, 2003

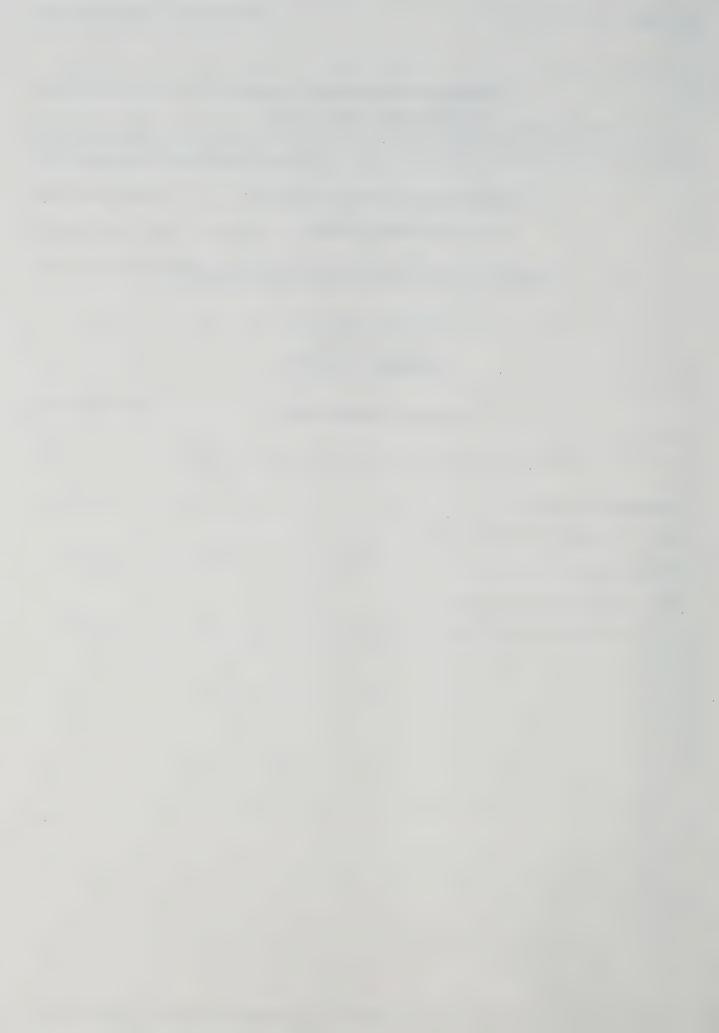
ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of relations with Muslim countries.

WITNESSES:

New York University School of Law:

Noah Feldman, Professor of Law.





eeting No. 58

nursday, November 6, 2003

ne Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met in a televised session at 11:14 a.m. this day, in som 253-D Centre Block, the Chair, Bernard Patry, presiding.

Tembers of the Committee present: Murray Calder, Aileen Carroll, Irwin Cotler, Art Eggleton, John Harvard, André arvey, Francine Lalonde, Diane Marleau, Keith Martin, Alexa McDonough, Deepak Obhrai, Bernard Patry and Karen edman.

attendance: House of Commons: Elizabeth B. Kingston, Committee Clerk. Library of Parliament: James Lee, nalyst; Gerald Schmitz, Principal.

itnesses: New York University School of Law: Noah Feldman, Professor of Law.

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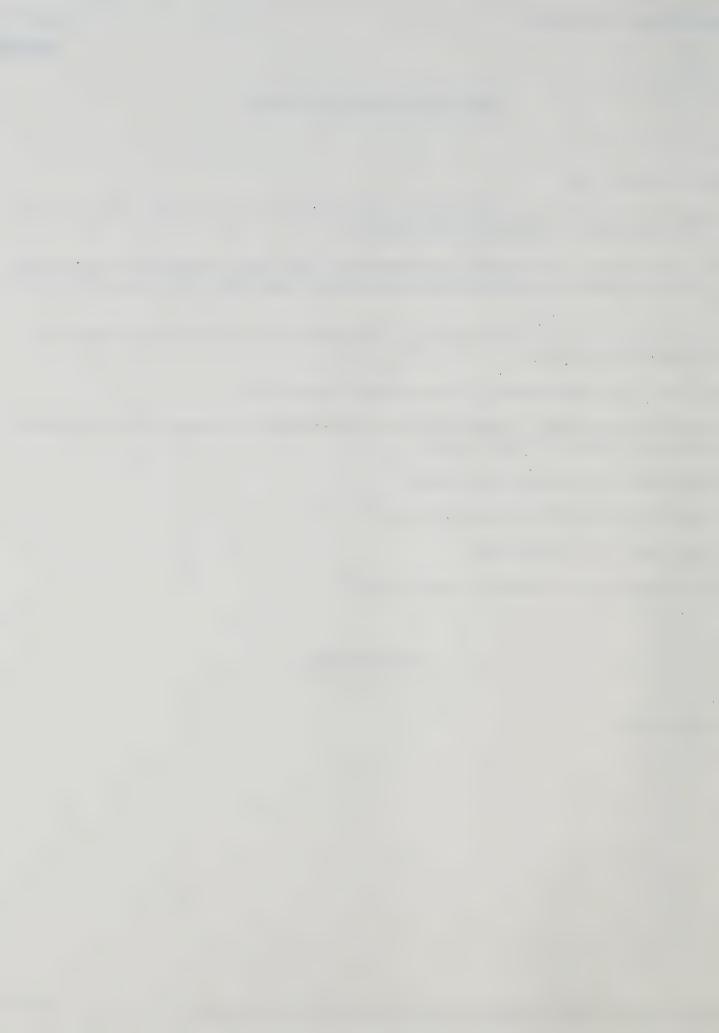
t 11:50 a.m. the Vice-Chair Diane Marleau took the Chair.

t 12:03 p.m. Bernard Patry took the Chair.

t 12:41 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Stephen Knowles
Clerk of the Committee

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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Standing Committee on

FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE

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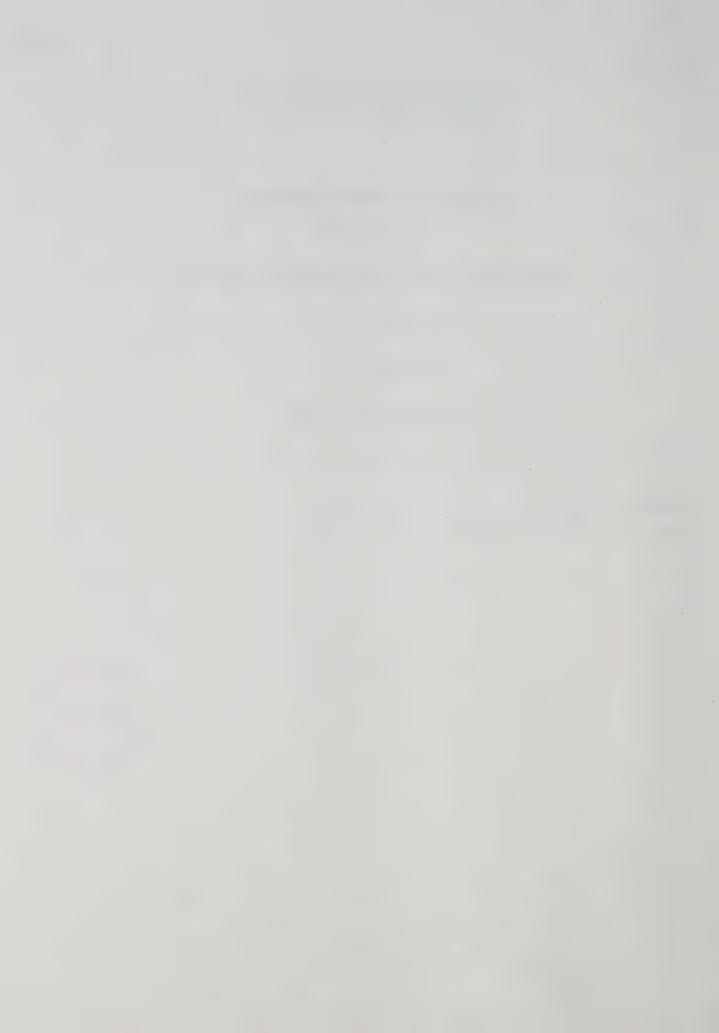
Meeting No. 1

Tuesday, February 17, 2004

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Election of a Chair and Vice-Chairs









Meeting No. 1

Tuesday, February 17, 2004

The Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 3:35 p.m. this day, in Room 371 West Block, for the purpose of electing a Chair, pursuant to Standing Order 106(1).

Members of the Committee present: Stéphane Bergeron, Hon. Scott Brison, Bill Casey, Stockwell Day, Hon. Art Eggleton, Paul Harold Macklin, Hon. Diane Marleau, Alexa McDonough, Hon. Dan McTeague, Deepak Obhrai, Bernard Patry, Beth Phinney, Karen Redman and Raymond Simard.

Acting Members present: Roy Bailey for Brian Fitzpatrick, Paul Crête for Francine Lalonde and Lynne Yelich for Charlie Penson.

In attendance: House of Commons: Angela Crandall, Committee Clerk. Library of Parliament: Gerald Schmitz, Principal Analyst; Marcus Pistor, Analyst.

The Clerk of the Committee presided over the election of a Chair.

On motion of Dan McTeague, it was agreed, — That Bernard Patry be elected Chair of the Committee.

The Clerk of the Committee presided over the election of the Vice-Chairs.

On motion of Bill Casey, it was agreed, — That Stockwell Day be elected as Opposition Vice-Chair of the Committee.

The Clerk of the Committee presided over the election of the Vice-Chairs.

Karen Redman moved, — That Byron Wilfort be elected as Government Vice-Chair of the Committee.

Scotwell Day moved, — That Diane Marleau be elected as Government Vice-Chair of the Committee.

Pursuant to Standing Order 106(3), the election was conducted by secret ballot.

The ballots having been counted, no member having been elected, another election was conducted by secret ballot.

The ballots having been counted, Diane Marleau was declared duly elected as Government Vice-Chair of the Committee.

It was agreed, — That the Chair, the two Vice-Chairs, the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Foreign Affaires and a representative of the Conservative Party, the Bloc Québécois, the New Democratic Party and two (2) additional representatives of the Liberal Party do compose the Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure.

It was agreed, — That the Committee retain the services of one or more analysts from the Library of Parliament, as needed, to assist the Committee in its work, at the discretion of the Chair.

It was agreed, — That the Chair be authorized to hold meetings to receive and publish evidence when a quorum is not present provided that at least three (3) members are present, including a member of the opposition.

It was agreed, — That witnesses be given ten (10) minutes for their opening statement; that, during the questioning of witnesses, there be allocated ten (10) minutes for the first questioner of each party when a Minister appears before the Committee and five (5) minutes for other meetings and that thereafter, five (5) minutes be allocated to each subsequent questioner, alternating between Opposition and Government parties, at the discretion of the Chair.

It was agreed, — That, if requested, reasonable travel, accommodation and living expenses be reimbursed to witnesses, not exceeding two (2) representatives per organization; provided that, in exceptional circumstances, payment for more representatives may be authorized by the Chair.

It was agreed, — That the Clerk of the Committee be authorized to distribute to the members of the Committee documents only when they exist in both official languages.

It was agreed, — That the Committee be authorized to purchase documents for its use.

It was agreed, — That the Clerk of the Committee be authorized to make the necessary arrangements for working meals for the Committee and its subcommittees.

It was agreed, — That, unless otherwise ordered, each Committee member be allowed to have one staff person present at in camera meetings.

It was agreed, — That one copy of the transcript of all *in camera* meetings be kept in the Committee Clerk's office for consultation by members of the Committee.

It was agreed, — That the Committee be authorized to purchase gifts to be presented to foreign hosts while travelling and as well to foreign delegations visiting Ottawa.

It was agreed, — That, pursuant to Standing Orders 108(1) and 108(2), a Subcommittee on Human Rights and International Development to be chaired by a member elected by the Subcommittee, be established to inquire into matters relating to the promotion of respect for international human rights and the achievement of sustainable human development goals, as may be referred to it by the Committee; that the Subcommittee be composed of nine (9) members or associate members of which five (5) shall be government members and four (4) shall be opposition members, to be named following the usual consultations with the Whips; and that the Subcommittee be empowered to send for persons, papers and records, to receive evidence, to sit during a time when the Committee is not sitting in Ottawa, to sit when the Committee is sitting outside Parliamentary Precinct and to sit during periods when the House stands adjourned.

It was agreed, — That, pursuant to Standing Orders 108(1) and 108(2), a Subcommittee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment to be chaired by a member elected by the Subcommittee, be established to inquire into Canada's trade and investment relations and in particular any matters pertaining to the negotiation and implementation of international agreements, as may be referred to it by the Committee; that the Subcommittee be composed of nine (9) members or associate members of which five (5) shall be government members and four (4) shall be opposition members, to be named following

the usual consultations with the Whips; and that the Subcommittee be empowered to send for persons, papers and records, to receive evidence, to sit during a time when the Committee is not sitting in Ottawa, to sit when the Committee is sitting outside Parliamentary Precinct and to sit during periods when the House stands adjourned.

It was agreed, — That, except for amendments to bills, twenty-four (24) hours' notice be given before any substantive motion is considered by the Committee; that the motion be filed with the Clerk of the Committee and circulated to members in both official languages; that the Clerk shall put the motion on the agenda of the Committee's next meeting.

It was agreed, — That for motions requiring (24) hours notice, the Chair be authorized to defer consideration until 15 minutes prior to the adjournment time for the meeting as indicated in the Notice of the Meeting.

The Committee proceeded to the consideration of matters related to Committee business.

It was agreed, — That the request of the Falun Dafa Association of Canada to appear before the Committee be deferred to the Subcommittee on Human Rights and International Development.

It was agreed, — That the request of the "Rassemblement canadien pour le Liban" (RCPL) to appear before the Committee to present its study on human rights abuse and democracy in Lebanon be referred to the Subcommittee on Human Rights and International Development.

It was agreed, — That the request from Amnesty International for the Committee to consider relations with China in view of human rights concerns be referred to the Sub-Committee on Human Rights and International Development.

It was agreed, — That, during the annual appearance of the Ambassador for disarmament, pursuant to Recommendation 2 of the Committee's December 1998 Report, <u>Canada and the Nuclear Challenge</u>: <u>Reducing the Political Value of Nuclear Weapons for the Twenty-First Century</u>, representatives of the Canadian Network to Abolish Nuclear Weapons be also invited to appear.

It was agreed, — That the invitation of December 11, 2002 from the Auditor General for Committee to consider Chapter 3 of the December, 2002 Report, "Special Import Measures Act: Protecting against Dumped or Subsidized Imports" be referred to the Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investments.

It was agreed, — That consideration of issues relating to the Rwanda genocide in Rwanda be referred to the Subcommittee on Human Rights and International Development.

It was agreed, — That the Committee resume its study of Canada's relations with countries of the Muslim world, begun in the second session of the 37th Parliament, pursuant to the Order of February 6, 2003.

It was agreed, — That the evidence, briefs and documents received during the Ottawa proceedings and information received during travel by the Committee in relation to its study of relations with countries of the Muslim world during the second session of the 37th Parliament be deemed adduced by the Committee in the current session.

It was agreed, — That the Committee meet with a delegation lead by the Speaker of the Parliament of Serbia and Montenegro during the week of February 16, 2004.

It was agreed, — That Rights and Democracy be invited to appear in relation to the Commmittee's study on relations with countries of the Muslim world.

At 4:05 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Stephen Knowles
Clerk of the Committee

2004/02/19 10:54 a.m.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Standing Committee on

FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Chair: Bernard Patry, Lib.

Meeting No. 2

Tuesday, February 24, 2004

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

Future business

Meeting with representatives of the Parliamentary delegation from Serbia and Montenegro

WITNESSES:

Parliament of Serbia and Montenegro:

Borislav Banovic, Member of the Parliament of the State Union of Serbia and Montenegro; Zarko Korac, Deputy Prime Minister of the Republic of Serbia;

Hon. Dragoljub Micunovic, President of the Chamber of Citizens of the Federal Assembly.







Meeting No. 2

Tuesday, February 24, 2004

The Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 3:33 p.m. this day, in Room 253-D Centre Block, the Chair, Bernard Patry, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Stéphane Bergeron, Art Eggleton, Francine Lalonde, Paul Harold Macklin, Diane Marleau, Alexa McDonough, Dan McTeague, Bernard Patry, Beth Phinney, Karen Redman, Raymond Simard and Bryon Wilfert.

In attendance: Library of Parliament: Gerald Schmitz, Principal Analyst; James Lee, Analyst.

Participants present: Parliament of Serbia and Montenegro: Dragoljub Micunovic, President of the Chamber of Citizens of the Federal Assembly; Zarko Korac, Deputy Prime Minister of the Republic of Serbia; Milorad Drljevic, Vice President of the Parliament of State Union of Serbia and Montenegro; Borislav Banovic, Member of the Parliament of the State Union of Serbia and Montenegro.

The Committee proceeded to consider its future business.

Francine Lalonde moved, — That, pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee study, in light of the recall of the ambassador to Denmark, the conditions that would have permitted members of Parliament, during the process of his nomination, to avoid for him the shame of being recalled and the tarnishing of the image of Canada's diplomats.

Debate arose thereon.

By unanimous consent, it was agreed, — That the debate be now adjourned.

Francine Lalonde moved, — That, pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee examine the crisis in Haiti and request the permission of the House to set up a mission to that country in order to evaluate the situation and to advise the government on its future decisions concerning the political process, the violation of human rights, the risk of escalation of the situation and what Canada could provide.

Debate arose thereon.

Stéphane Bergeron moved, — That the motion be amended by deleting the word "request" and replacing it with the words "consider the possibility of requesting".

After debate, the question was put on the amendment of Stéphane Bergeron and it was agreed to.

The question was put on the motion, as amended, and it was agreed to.

Alexa McDonough moved, — That pursuant to the order adopted on February 17, 2004, the Committee make it a priority to comply with the motions regarding disarmament and missile defence adopted on

February 6, 2003 and May 27, 2003 respectively, including inviting and confirming a meeting with the Canadian Ambassador for Disarmament and representatives of the Canadian Network to Abolish Nuclear Weapons, and conducting hearings for the purpose of studying missile defence.

Debate arose thereon.

By unanimous consent, it was agreed, — That the debate be now adjourned.

At 4:16 p.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 4:18 p.m., the sitting resumed.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), and the motion adopted by the Committee on February 17, 2004, the Committee met with representatives of the Parliamentary delegation from Serbia and Montenegro.

The delegates made statements and answered questions.

At 5:16 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Stephen Knowles
Clerk of the Committee

2004/02/26 11:33 a.m.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Standing Committee on

FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Chair: Bernard Patry, Lib.

Meeting No. 3

Wednesday, February 25, 2004

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

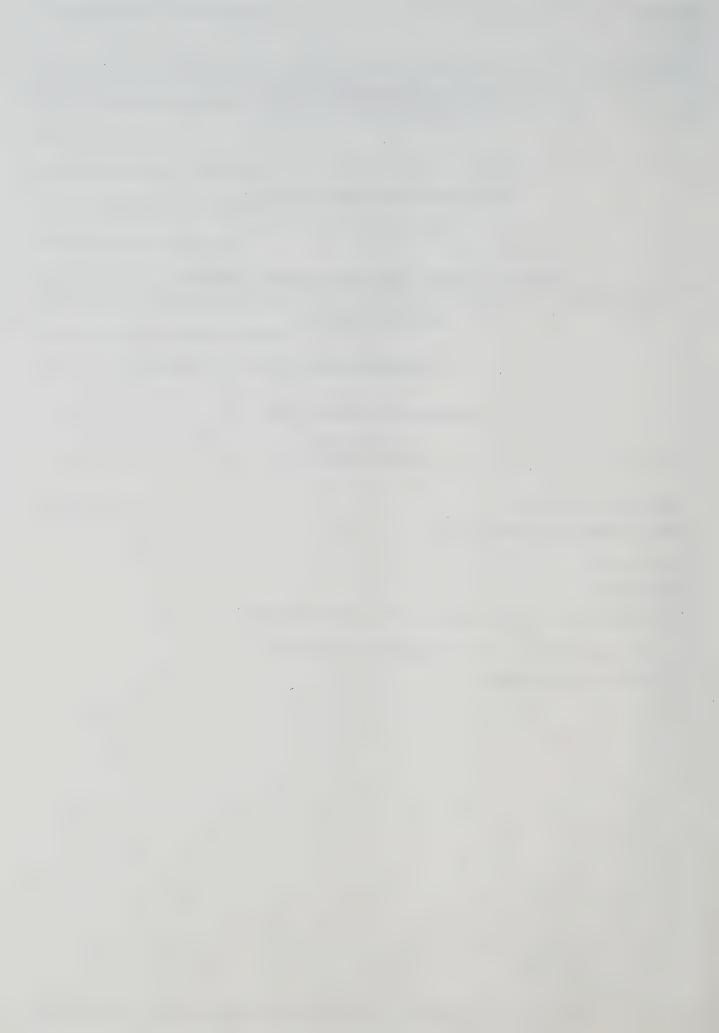
Study on relations with Muslim countries

Future business

WITNESSES:

International Centre for Human Rights and Democratic Development:

Iris Almeida, Director of Policy, Programmes and Planning; Jean-Louis Roy, President.







Meeting No. 3

Wednesday, February 25, 2004

The Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 3:37 p.m. this day, in Room 371 West Block, the Chair, Bernard Patry, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Art Eggleton, Francine Lalonde, Paul Harold Macklin, Diane Marleau, Alexa McDonough, Dan McTeague, Deepak Obhrai, Bernard Patry, Beth Phinney, Karen Redman, Raymond Simard and Bryon Wilfert.

In attendance: Library of Parliament: Gerald Schmitz, Principal Analyst; Marcus Pistor, Analyst.

Witnesses: International Centre for Human Rights and Democratic Development: Jean-Louis Roy, President; Lloyd Lipsett, Senior Assistant to the President; Iris Almeida, Director of Policy, Programmes and Planning.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) and the motion adopted by the Committee on Tuesday February 17, 2004, the Committee commenced its study on relations with Muslim countries.

Jean-Louis Roy made a statement and with Iris Almeida answered questions.

At 4:03 p.m. Diane Marleau took the Chair.

At 4:10 p.m. Bernard Patry took the Chair.

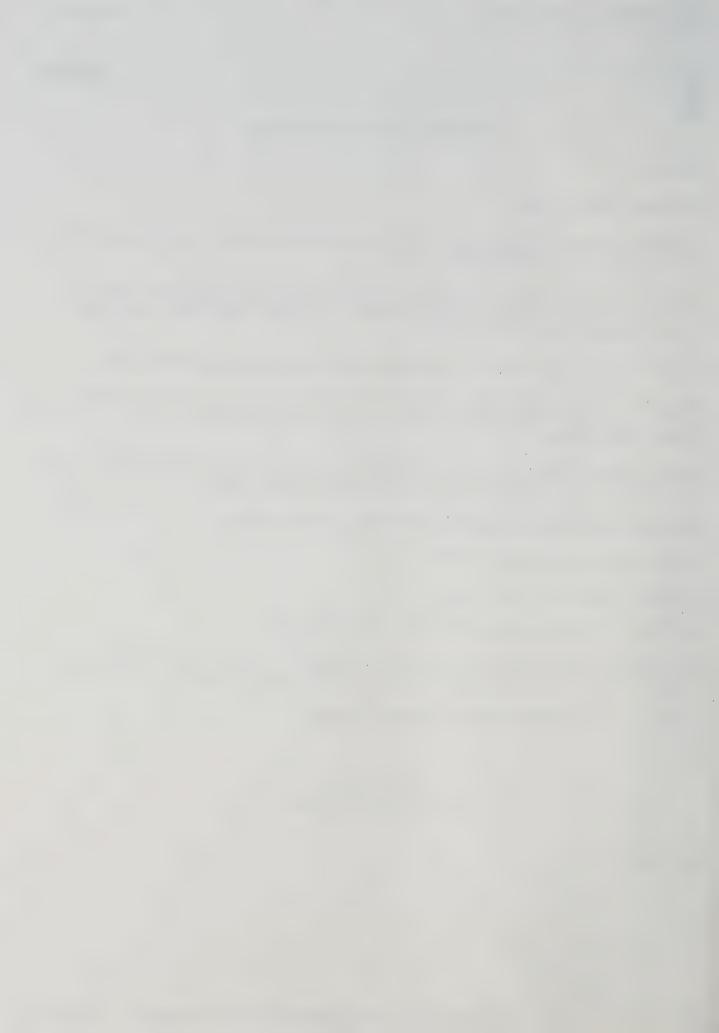
At 4:57 p.m. the Committee proceeded to discuss its future business.

It was agreed, — That the Committee consider issues relating to the United Nations World Programme and invite James T. Morris, the Executive Director to appear on March 23, 2004.

At 4:58 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Stephen Knowles
Clerk of the Committee

2004/03/09 2:11 p.m.



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Standing Committee on

FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Chair: Bernard Patry, Lib.

Meeting No. 4

Thursday, February 26, 2004

IN CAMERA





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sday, February 26, 2004

Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met *in camera* at 3:34 p.m. this day, in Room 371 Block, the Chair, Bernard Patry, presiding.

bers of the Committee present: Stéphane Bergeron, Francine Lalonde, Paul Harold Macklin, Diane Marleau, Alexa onough, Dan McTeague, Deepak Obhrai and Bernard Patry.

ig Members present: Larry Bagnell for Karen Redman and John McKay for Art Eggleton.

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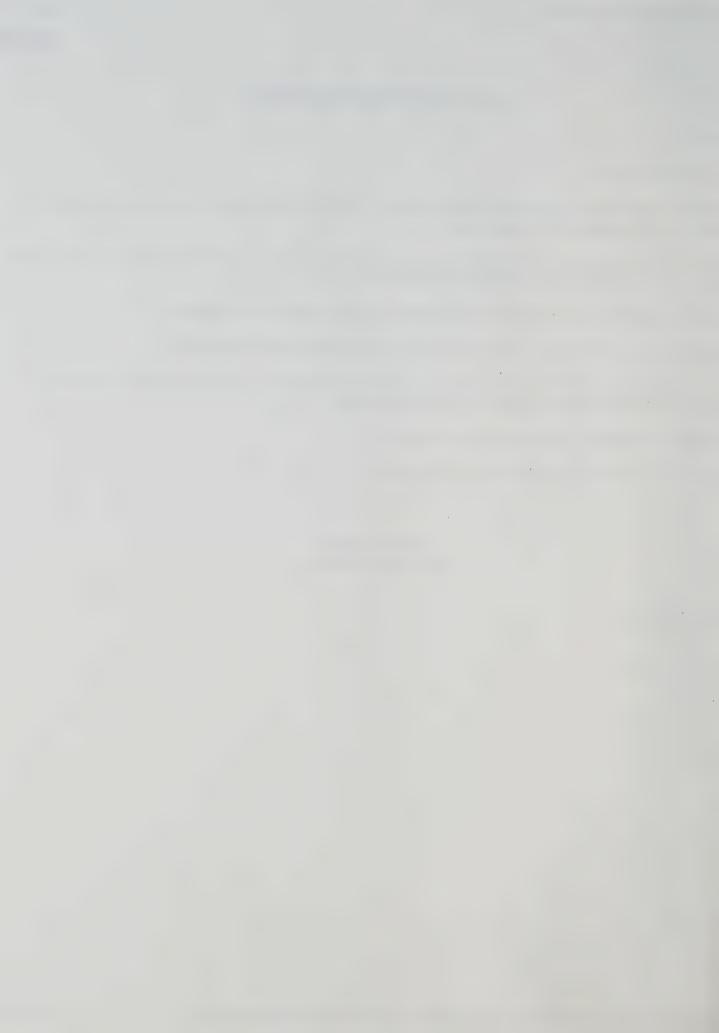
ant to Standing Order 108(2) and the motion adopted by the Committee on Tuesday February 17, 2004, the mittee commenced its study on relations with Muslim countries.

Committee commenced consideration of a draft report.

23 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Stephen Knowles Clerk of the Committee

/03/02 9:37 a.m.



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Standing Committee on

FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Chair: Bernard Patry, Lib.

Meeting No. 5

Tuesday, March 9, 2004

IN CAMERA





ting No. 5

day, March 9, 2004

Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met *in camera* at 3:37 p.m. this day, in Room 371 t Block, the Vice-Chair, Hon. Diane Marleau, presiding.

ibers of the Committee present: Stéphane Bergeron, Hon. Scott Brison, Stockwell Day, Hon. Art Eggleton, Francine nde, Paul Harold Macklin, Hon. Diane Marleau, Karen Redman, Raymond Simard and Bryon Wilfert.

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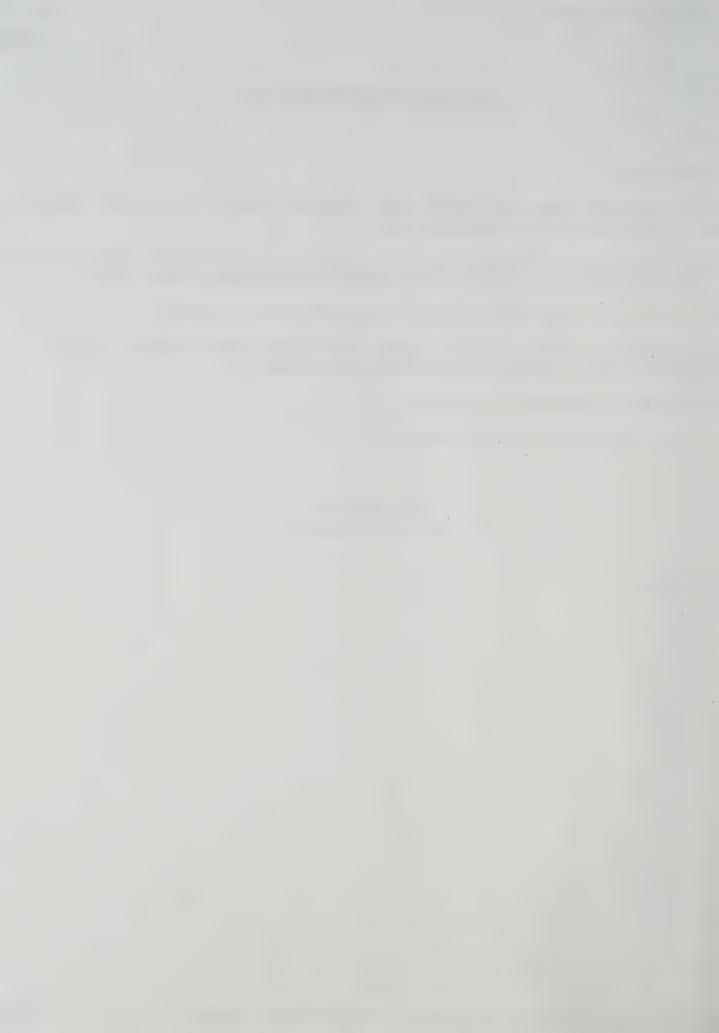
uant to Standing Order 108(2) and the motion adopted by the Committee on Tuesday February 17, 2004, the mittee resumed its study on relations with countries of the Muslim World.

Committee resumed consideration of a draft report.

:27 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Stephen Knowles
Clerk of the Committee

1/03/10 9:23 a.m.



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Standing Committee on

FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Chair: Bernard Patry, Lib.

Meeting No. 6

Thursday, March 11, 2004

IN CAMERA





ting No. 6

sday, March 11, 2004

Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met *in camera* at 9:15 a.m. this day, in Room 307 t Block, the Chair, Bernard Patry, presiding.

bers of the Committee present: Stéphane Bergeron, Stockwell Day, Art Eggleton, Francine Lalonde, Paul Harold klin, Bernard Patry, Karen Redman, Raymond Simard and Bryon Wilfert.

ig Members present: Lawrence MacAulay for Diane Marleau.

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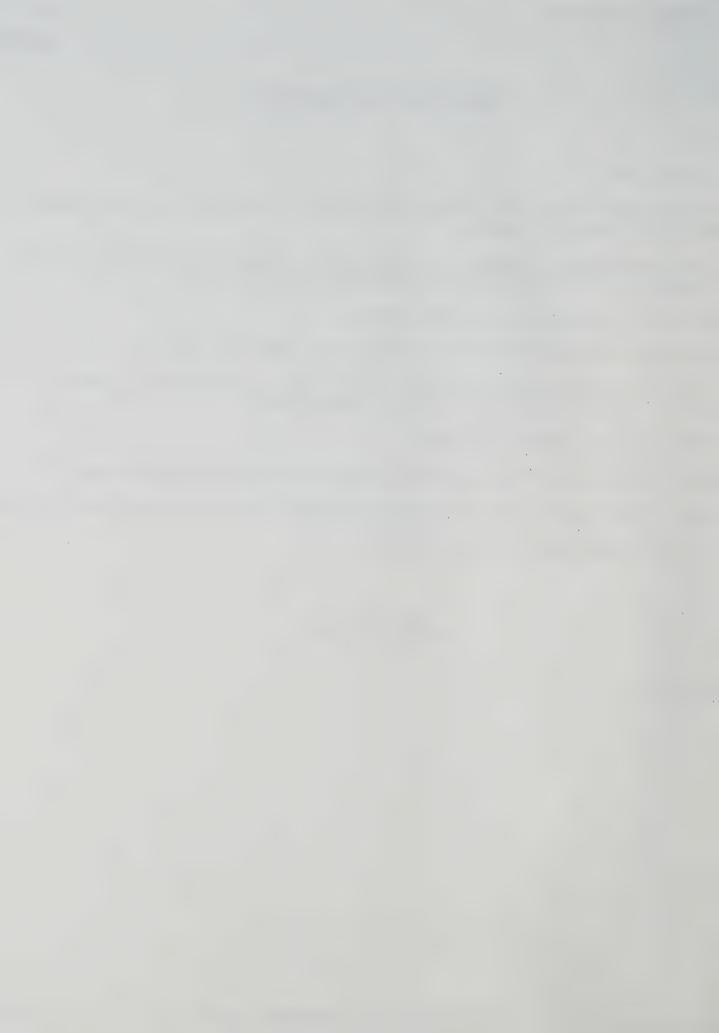
is agreed, — That the motion of February 25, 2004 concerning the World Food Program be rescindeed.

is agreed, — That the Committee meet with a Parliamentary delegation from Uruguay on Tuesday, March 23, 2004.

0:41 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Stephen Knowles
Clerk of the Committee

1/03/11 2:31 p.m.



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

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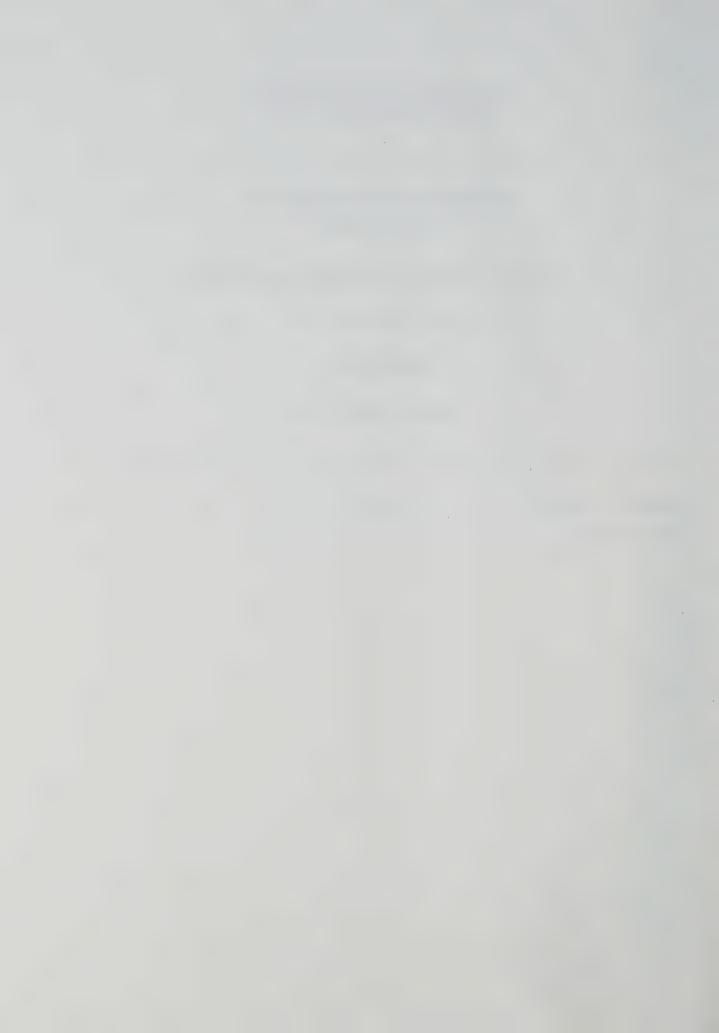
Chair: Bernard Patry, Lib.

Meeting No. 7

Tuesday, March 23, 2004

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Future business







Meeting No. 7

Tuesday, March 23, 2004

The Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met *in camera* at 9:24 a.m. this day, in Room 701 La Promenade Building, the Chair, Bernard Patry, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Stéphane Bergeron, Scott Brison, Stockwell Day, Art Eggleton, Brian Fitzpatrick, Francine Lalonde, Paul Harold Macklin, Diane Marleau, Alexa McDonough, Deepak Obhrai, Bernard Patry, Karen Redman, Raymond Simard and Bryon Wilfert.

In attendance: Library of Parliament: Gerald Schmitz, Principal Analyst; James Lee, Analyst.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) and the motion adopted by the Committee on Tuesday February 17, 2004, the Committee resumed its study on relations with countries of the Muslim World.

The Committee resumed consideration of a draft report.

At 11:35 a.m., the Committee proceeded to sit in public.

The Committee proceeded to the consideration of its future business.

On motion of Alexa McDonough, it was agreed, — That, pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee consider the Tibet situation during the visit of the Dalai Lama to Ottawa April 21-24, 2004 and extend an invitation to His Holiness to appear.

Stockwell Day moved, — That the Committee support the request of Members of the House representing all political parties to have suicide bombing be declared a crime against humanity by the Parliament of Canada.

Debate arose thereon.

Alexa McDonough moved, — That the motion be amended by inserting the words "directed at innocent civilians" between the words "bombing" and "be".

After debate, the question was put on the amendment of Alexa McDonough and it was agreed to.

Debate continued on the main motion.

By unanimous consent, it was agreed, — That the debate be now adjourned.

At 12:03 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Stephen Knowles Clerk of the Committee

2004/03/23 4:30 p.m.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Standing Committee on

FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Chair: Bernard Patry, Lib.

Meeting No. 7

Tuesday, March 23, 2004

IN CAMERA





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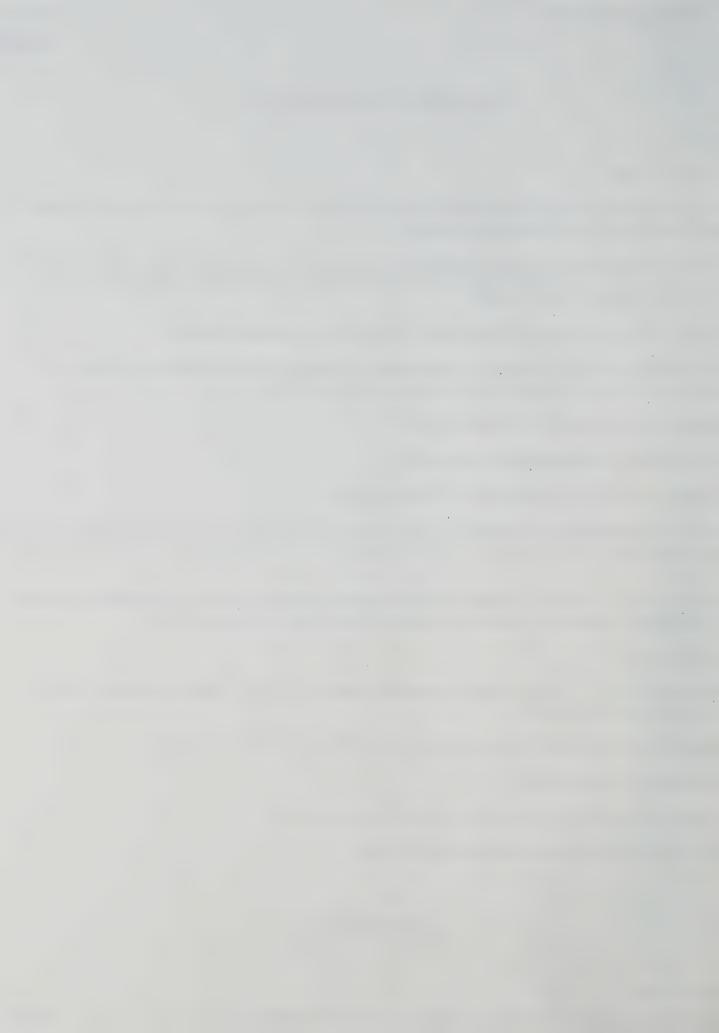
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2:03 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Stephen Knowles
Clerk of the Committee

1/03/23 4:30 p.m.



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINS

Standing Committee on

FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Chair: Bernard Patry, Lib.

Meeting No. 8

Thursday, March 25, 2004

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

Study of matters related to Committee business

Study of the motion of Stockwell Day

Study on the situation in Haiti

WITNESSES:

Development and Peace:

Marthe Lapierre, Program Manager.

International Center for Legal Resources:

Catherine Duhamel, Director.

International Centre for Human Rights and Democratic Development:

Jean-Louis Roy, President.

Oxfam-Quebec:

Carlos Arancibia, Regional Director for Latin America and the Caribbean; Michel Verret, Director of Overseas Programs.







Meeting No. 8

Thursday, March 25, 2004

The Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met *in camera* at 9:17 a.m. this day, in Room 701 La Promenade Building, the Chair, Bernard Patry, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Stéphane Bergeron, Scott Brison, Stockwell Day, Art Eggleton, Francine Lalonde, Paul Harold Macklin, Alexa McDonough, Deepak Obhrai, Bernard Patry, Raymond Simard and Bryon Wilfert.

Other Members present: Joe Clark.

In attendance: Library of Parliament: Gerald Schmitz, Principal Analyst; James Lee, Analyst; Marcus Pistor, Analyst.

Witnesses: Development and Peace: Marthe Lapierre, Program Manager. International Centre for Human Rights and Democratic Development: Jean-Louis Roy, President. International Center for Legal Resources: Catherine Duhamel, Director. Oxfam-Quebec: Michel Verret, Director of Overseas Programs; Carlos Arancibia, Regional Director for Latin America and the Caribbean.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) and the motion adopted by the Committee on Tuesday February 17, 2004, the Committee resumed its study on relations with countries of the Muslim World.

It was agreed, — That the report Exploring Canada's Relations with Countries of the Muslim World, be adopted as a Report to the House and that the Chair or his/her designate present it to the House.

It was agreed, — That, 1500 English versions and 550 French versions of the report be printed.

It was agreed, — That, pursuant to Standing Order 109, the Committee request that the Government table a comprehensive response to the report.

It was agreed, — That the Chair be authorized to make such grammatical and editorial changes as may be necessary without changing the substance of the report.

It was agreed, — That, pursuant to Standing Order 108(1)(a), the Committee authorize the printing of brief dissenting and/or supplementary opinions as appendices to this report immediately after the signature of the Chair, that the opinions be sent to the Clerk of the Committee by electronic mail in both official languages before 3:00 p.m. March 26, 2004.

It was agreed, — That the Clerk of the Committee make the necessary arrangements for a press conference after the tabling of the Committee's report to the House and that a news release be prepared and distributed.

At 9:48, the Committee proceeded to sit in public, Raymond Simard presiding.

The Committee proceeded to the consideration of matters related to Committee business.

The Committee resumed consideration of the motion of Stockwell Day, — That the Committee support the request of Members of the House representing all political parties to have suicide bombing directed at innocent civilians be declared a crime against humanity by the Parliament of Canada.

The debate continued.

By unanimous consent, it was agreed, — That the debate be now adjourned.

It was agreed, — That the Library of Parliament analysts prepare a background document on the subject matter of the motion of Stockwell Day.

At 10:01 a.m., pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) and the motion adopted by the Committee on March 11, 2004, the Committee commenced its study on the situation in Haiti, the Chair Bernard Patry presiding.

Marthe Lapierre, Jean-Louis Roy, Catherine Duhamel and Michel Verret made statements and with Carlos Arancibia answered questions.

At 11:36 a.m. Raymond Simard took the Chair.

At 11:38 a.m. Bernard Patry took the Chair.

At 11:59 a.m. the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Stephen Knowles Clerk of the Committee

2004/04/01 9:36 a.m.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Standing Committee on

FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Chair: Bernard Patry, Lib.

Meeting No. 9

Tuesday, March 30, 2004

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

Study on the situation in Haiti

Study of the issue of declaring suicide bombing directed at innocent civilians a crime against humanity

WITNESSES:

Canadian International Development Agency:

Guillermo Rishchynski, Vice-President, Americas Branch;

Diane Vermette, Director, Haiti, Cuba and Dominican Republic Division, Americas Branch.

Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade:

Marc Lortie, Assistant Deputy Minister (Americas).

Department of National Defence:

Jacques Gauvin, Commodore, Chief of Staff J3.

Friends of the Simon Wiesenthal Center for Holocaust Studies:

Leo Adler, Director of National Affairs.







Meeting No. 9

Tuesday, March 30, 2004

The Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 3:30 p.m. this day, in Room 371 West Block, the Chair, Bernard Patry, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Stockwell Day, Francine Lalonde, Paul Harold Macklin, Diane Marleau, Alexa McDonough, Dan McTeague, Bernard Patry, Beth Phinney, Karen Redman, Raymond Simard and Bryon Wilfert.

Acting Members present: Yves Rocheleau for Stéphane Bergeron.

Other Members present: Joe Clark.

In attendance: Library of Parliament: James Lee, Analyst; Marcus Pistor, Analyst.

Witnesses: Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade: Marc Lortie, Assistant Deputy Minister, Americas; Christian Lapointe, Director, Carribean & Central America Division. Canadian International Development Agency: Guillermo E. Rishchynski, Vice-President, Americas Branch; Diane Vermette, Director, Haiti, Cuba and Dominican Republic Division, Americas Branch. Department of National Defence: Cmdre Jacques Gauvin, Chief of Staff J3. Friends of the Simon Wiesenthal Center for Holocaust Studies: Leo Adler, Director of National Affairs.

The Committee discussed its future business

It was agreed, — That, pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee consider the issue of declaring suicide bombing directed at innocent civilians a crime against humanity.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) and the motion adopted by the Committee on March 11, 2004, the Committee resumed its study on the situation in Haiti.

Marc Lortie, Guillermo Rishchynski and Commodore Jacques Gauvin made statements and with Diane Vermette answered questions.

At 5:07 p.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 5:12 p.m., the sitting resumed.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) and the motion adopted by the Committee earlier today, the Committee commenced consideration of the issue of declaring suicide bombing directed at innocent civilians a crime against humanity.

Leo Adler made a statement and answered questions.

At 5:30 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Stephen Knowles Clerk of the Committee

2004/04/02 8:44 a.m.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

STANDING COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Chair: Bernard Patry.

Meeting No. 10

Thursday, April 1, 2004

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) and the motion adopted by the Committee on March 30, 2004, the Committee resumed its study of the issue of declaring suicide bombing directed at innocent civilians a crime against humanity.

The Committee proceeded to the consideration of matters related to Committee business.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) and the motion adopted by the Committee on March 11, 2004, the Committee resumed its study on the situation in Haiti.

MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE PRESENT:

Stéphane Bergeron, Scott Brison, Stockwell Day, Francine Lalonde, Paul Harold Macklin, Diane Marleau, Dan McTeague, Bernard Patry, Karen Redman, Raymond Simard and Bryon Wilfert.

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Joe Clark.

OTHER MEMBERS PRESENT:

Richard Marceau.

IN ATTENDANCE:

Library of Parliament:
Gerald Schmitz, Principal Analyst;
James Lee, Analyst;
Marcus Pistor, Analyst.

WITNESSES:

Canadian Foundation for the Americas:

John W. Graham, President, Board of Directors;
Carlo Dade, Senior Advisor.

Stephen Knowles
Clerk of the Committee



eting No. 10

ırsday, April 1, 2004

e Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 9:15 a.m. this day, in Room 269 West ock, the Chair, Bernard Patry, presiding.

mbers of the Committee present: Stéphane Bergeron, Scott Brison, Stockwell Day, Francine Lalonde, Paul Harold cklin, Diane Marleau, Dan McTeague, Bernard Patry, Karen Redman, Raymond Simard and Bryon Wilfert.

ociate Members present: Joe Clark.

er Members present: Richard Marceau.

attendance: Library of Parliament: Gerald Schmitz, Principal Analyst; James Lee, Analyst; Marcus Pistor, Analyst.

nesses: Canadian Foundation for the Americas: John W. Graham, President, Board of Directors; Carlo Dade, ior Advisor.

suant to Standing Order 108(2) and the motion adopted by the Committee on March 30, 2004, the Committee amed its study of the issue of declaring suicide bombing directed at innocent civilians a crime against humanity.

e Committee resumed consideration of the motion of Stockwell Day, — That the Committee support the request of mbers of the House representing all political parties to have suicide bombing directed at innocent civilians be lared a crime against humanity by the Parliament of Canada.

motion of Diane Marleau, it was agreed on division, — That the debate be now adjourned until the next sitting of Committee.

Committee proceeded to the consideration of matters related to Committee business.

ckwell Day moved, — That whenever the Main Estimates or Supplementary Estimates are referred to the mmittee, the Committee may invite the Minister and any relevant Senior Officials of a Department to appear at a eting of the Committee and, if possible, that it be televised.

er debate, the question was put on the motion and it was agreed to.

motion of Stockwell Day, it was agreed, — That whenever a Chapter of a Report of the Auditor General refers to a ject under the mandate of the Committee, the Committee study the matter and invite officials of the Office of the ditor General of Canada and any relevant Senior Officials of a Department to appear at a meeting of the Committee I, if possible, that it be televised.

9:57 a.m., the sitting was suspended.

10:07 a.m., the sitting resumed.

suant to Standing Order 108(2) and the motion adopted by the Committee on March 11, 2004, the Committee amed its study on the situation in Haiti.

The witnesses made statements and answered questions.

At 10:55 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Stephen Knowles Clerk of the Committee

2004/04/02 3:53 p.m.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

STANDING COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Chair: Bernard Patry, Lib.

Meeting No. 12

Tuesday, April 27, 2004

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

Pursuant to Standing Order 36(8)(b), the Committee commenced consideration of the failure of the Ministry to respond to petition No. 373-0348 concerning the United State's policy towards Cuba referred to the Committee on April 19, 2004.

Pursuant to Standing Order 36(8)(b), the Committee commenced consideration of the failure of the Ministry to respond to petitions Nos. 373-0369 to 373-0371 concerning AIDS referred to the Committee on April 23, 2004.

Pursuant to Standing Order 36(8)(b), the Committee commenced consideration of the failure of the Ministry to respond to petition No. 373-0372 concerning AIDS referred to the Committee on April 23, 2004.

Pursuant to Standing Order 36(8)(b), the Committee commenced consideration of the failure of the Ministry to respond to petitions Nos. 373-0373 to 373-0378 concerning AIDS referred to the Committee on April 23, 2004.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) and the motion adopted by the Committee on March 30, 2004, the Committee resumed its study of the issue of declaring suicide bombing directed at innocent civilians a crime against humanity.

MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE PRESENT:

Stéphane Bergeron, Stockwell Day, Art Eggleton, Brian Fitzpatrick,
Francine Lalonde,
Paul Harold Macklin,
Diane Marleau,
Dan McTeague,
Deepak Obhrai,
Bernard Patry,
Karen Redman,
Raymond Simard
and Bryon Wilfert.

IN ATTENDANCE:

Library of Parliament:
James Lee, Analyst;
Benjamin Dolan, Analyst.

WITNESSES:

Amnesty International (Canada):
Alex Neve, Secretary General, English Speaking Branch.

University of Ottawa:
Pacifique Manirakiza, Professor of Law.

Stephen Knowles
Clerk of the Committee





Meeting No. 12

Tuesday, April 27, 2004

The Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 3:37 p.m. this day, in Room 371 West Block, the Chair, Bernard Patry, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Stéphane Bergeron, Stockwell Day, Art Eggleton, Brian Fitzpatrick, Francine Lalonde, Paul Harold Macklin, Diane Marleau, Dan McTeague, Deepak Obhrai, Bernard Patry, Karen Redman, Raymond Simard and Bryon Wilfert.

In attendance: Library of Parliament: James Lee, Analyst; Benjamin Dolan, Analyst.

Witnesses: Amnesty International (Canada): Alex Neve, Secretary General, English Speaking Branch. University of Ottawa: Pacifique Manirakiza, Professor of Law.

Pursuant to Standing Order 36(8)(b), the Committee commenced consideration of the failure of the Ministry to respond to petition No. 373-0348 concerning the United State's policy towards Cuba referred to the Committee on April 19, 2004.

It was agreed, — That, in view of the fact that the Government response was tabled on April 21, 2004 no futher action by the Committee is required.

Pursuant to Standing Order 36(8)(b), the Committee commenced consideration of the failure of the Ministry to respond to petitions Nos. 373-0369 to 373-0371 concerning AIDS referred to the Committee on April 23, 2004.

It was agreed, — That the Committee wait until the end of the week of May 3, 2004 to see if a response has been tabled at that time and if not the Committee may reconsider the matter.

Pursuant to Standing Order 36(8)(b), the Committee commenced consideration of the failure of the Ministry to respond to petition No. 373-0372 concerning AIDS referred to the Committee on April 23, 2004.

It was agreed, — That the Committee wait until the end of the week of May 3, 2004 to see if a response has been tabled at that time and if not the Committee may reconsider the matter.

Pursuant to Standing Order 36(8)(b), the Committee commenced consideration of the failure of the Ministry to respond to petitions Nos. 373-0373 to 373-0378 concerning AIDS referred to the Committee on April 23, 2004.

It was agreed, — That the Committee wait until the end of the week of May 3, 2004 to see if a response has been tabled at that time and if not the Committee may reconsider the matter.

The Committee proceeded to consider its future business.

It was agreed, — That the Committee hold a working meal during week of May 10 for senior foreign policy officials from the Ukraine.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) and the motion adopted by the Committee on March 30, 2004, the Committee resumed its study of the issue of declaring suicide bombing directed at innocent civilians a crime against humanity.

The witnesses made statements and answered questions.

At 5:00 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Stephen Knowles Clerk of the Committee

2004/04/29 10:55 a.m.





